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EDITORIAL

The Editorial Board is very glad to present this issue of Synodal News with the Acts of the two Sessions of the XXVII Synod (2019) of the Syro-Malabar Church held in January and August 2019. The year 2019 was significant for the Church because of three important events: Pope Francis’ declaration of the month of October 2019 as Extraordinary Mission Month; Canonization of Blessed Mother Mariam Thresia, the foundress of the Holy Family Congregation and Ad limina visit of the Syro-Malabar Bishops.

In his Apostolic Letter to all the faithful on the occasion of the centenary of the promulgation of the Apostolic Letter Maximum Illud on the Activity of the Missionaries in the World, Pope Francis reminded us that in this world all of us are permanently in a state of Mission. He invited us not to be afraid to undertake, with trust in God and great courage, “a missionary option capable of transforming everything, so that the Church’s customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channelled for the evangelization of today’s world rather than for her self-preservation”.

The aim of the Extraordinary Mission Month, as explained in the letter of Pope Francis to Cardinal Fernando Filoni, the Prefect of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples, was to foster “an increased awareness of the missio ad gentes and taking up again with renewed fervour the missionary transformation of the Church’s life and pastoral activity. It served as a good preparation by enabling all the faithful to take to heart the proclamation of the Gospel and
to help their communities grow in missionary and evangelizing zeal”. In line with the spirit of the celebration of the Extra Ordinary Mission Month, the Major Archbishop, in his inaugural address to the August Synod, mentioned that it was an occasion for us to rejuvenate mission work in the Church and to strengthen our efforts for evangelization, especially in the Eparchy of Shamshabad.

The Church in India rejoices because she has got another canonized saint: Mother Mariam Thresia from the Eparchy of Irinjalakuda and we offer the Lord our gratitude for this great gift of a Saint of the Families. Mother Mariam Thresia founded the Congregation of the Holy Family on 14 May 1914 when she was 38 years old. She was blessed by God that thousands of women joined the congregation. It is amazing to note that the great flourishing of her congregation took place at a time when the world was ravaged by the pain, havoc and destruction of life and property that took place during the time of the First World War. Mother Mariam Thresia went from houses to houses to care the sick, when it was almost forbidden for women to move out of their houses independently. She was a great mother held in great esteem by the people because she acted in her life as a pillar of support to the poor, the oppressed and the sick. She was engaged in a ministry that no other religious had done at that time. She was successful in erecting three houses of her Congregation, building two schools and an orphanage of ten children before her death.

The *ad limina* visit of the Syro-Malabar Bishops took place from 3 - 14 October 2019 along with different programmes in connection with this visit in Rome. It was a time of unique experience for all the bishops as it is expressed in the circular of the Major Archbishop issued after the visit. The audience with the Holy Father was a rich and pleasant experience. During the dialogue with him, Pope Francis shared his views on the New Evangelization. The Holy Qurbana offered at the tomb of St. Peter and in other Papal Basilicas, the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of the parish community of the Syro-
Malabar faithful in Rome held at the famous Marian Pilgrim Centre *Divino Amore*, the blessing ceremony of the *Procura -Domus Mar Thoma-* of the Syro-Malabar Church in Rome, the Vigil before the Canonization of Mother Mariam Thresia at the Mary Major Basilica, the canonization ceremony at St Peter’s Square and the thanksgiving Qurbana at Basilica of Santa Anasthasia were all moments of grace for the whole Syro-Malabar Church.

Creation of the Office of the Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly is a new landmark in the history of the Syro-Malabar Church, which had its origin from the apostolate of St. Thomas in India. The Syro-Malabar Church was raised to the status of Major Archiepiscopal Church on 16 December 1992, having its See with the title of Ernakulam-Angamaly. The Major Archbishop, besides being the Father and Head of the whole Syro Malabar Church, is also the Metropolitan Archbishop of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly (CCEO cc. 55-56, 57§3, 151-153). Since the Major Archbishop has to care for the pastoral affairs of the whole Syro-Malabar Church, it was not easy for him to concentrate on the ministry in the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly. Hence, in the January and August Sessions of XV Synod (2007), there was a suggestion to appoint a Protosyncellus Auxiliary Bishop with the title of Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly, who could be given the charge of the ordinary administration of the Archeparchy. This suggestion was taken up again in the two Sessions of the XXVII Synod in 2019 and the Office was defined as the *Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly*.

With the approval of the Apostolic See, the XXVII Synod (2019), Session II held in the month of August, created this Office of the *Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly* and approved the guidelines for the same. Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI, the Bishop of Mandya, was elected the first Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly,
with the title of Archbishop *ad personam* conferred by the Apostolic See. This was announced on 30 August 2019. There were also announcements of other canonical provisions on the same day. Fr. Vincent Nellaiparambil was appointed the third Bishop of Bijnor, Mar Sebastian Adayanthrath, the new Bishop of Mandya and Mar Jose Puthenevettil, the Auxiliary Bishop of Faridabad.

During the Second Session of XXVII Synod (2019), for the first time in the history of the Synod, a meeting of the Secretaries of the Pastoral Councils of the Archeparchies/Eparchies of the Syro-Malabar Church was organized on 26 August. The Synod Members spent a day listening to them and interacting with them.

In this issue of the Synodal News (Vol. 27, Nos. 1 – 2, December 2019) we have included documents relating to the two Sessions of the XXVII Synod held in the year 2019. Besides, there are Pastoral Letters and Circulars, Documents related to important ecclesiastical provisions and other usual items. It is hoped that these items will help the readers to be informed of the major events and discussions in the Synod of the Syro-Malabar Church.
XXVII Synod (2019)
Session I
07-18 January 2019
My dear Brother Archbishops and Bishops,
Praise be to Jesus Christ!

Introduction
At the very outset, I cordially welcome each and every one of you to the First Session of the XXVII Synod of our Church. Although all the preparations were made to hold the Second Session of XXVI Synod from 20-31 August 2018, we had to cancel it due to the calamitous floods and other natural disasters. We had the hope of conducting the Synod at least for a week but the general opinion among the Bishops was to avoid even that.

Spiritual Reflections
I would like to thank Bishop Jacob Muricken for the spiritual reflections relevant in the present situation of the Church.

Welcome to New Bishops
Bishop John Nellikunnel, of the Eparchy of Idukki and Bishop James Athikalam MST, of the Eparchy of Sagar are attending the Synod for the first time after their Episcopal Ordination as full members of the Synod. In the name of all the Synodal Fathers let me offer them our hearty congratulations, best wishes and prayers. Except a few Bishops emeriti all our Bishops are attending this Synodal Session.

Flood Relief Works
Let me express my deep appreciation on the wonderful leadership that our Bishops took to respond to the great flood in Kerala and
the havoc it created for the people. It was an act of charity that all our institutions were whole heartedly opened to the public as relief camps and our priests, sisters and the lay faithful have extended consolation, relief and rehabilitation works. Let us be conscious of the fact that the Church could rise to the occasion and give a good witness of Christian charity and mercy. The State Government agencies and other voluntary organizations as well as our Church organizations under the leadership of various eparchies and religious congregations were actively in the forefront of rescue operations. They are still trying their level best to extend all sorts of support to the people who are severely suffering.

**Current Issues in the Church**

What is foremost in our mind these days are the recent events in the Church that have disturbed the conscience of the people of God regarding ecclesial unity and the holiness of the ministers and consecrated persons in the Church. We will have to deal with these issues connected with the Church during this session of the Synod. In order to solve the problems that arose in connection with the land sale issue in the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly, the Apostolic See has appointed Bishop Jacob Manathodath of the Eparchy of Palghat as the Apostolic Administrator of the Archeparchy and he is attending this Synod holding this responsibility too.

**Silver Jubilee Celebration of the Major Archiepiscopal Status**

You might remember that we had a small but solemn celebration of the Silver Jubilee of the Major Archiepiscopal Status of our Church on the final day of the past January Synod. We were graced by the esteemed presence of many ecclesiastical dignitaries like the Chaldean Catholic Patriarch His Beatitude Louis Raphaël Sako, along with three Bishops of his Church; Archbishop Cyril Vasil, Secretary of the Congregation for the Oriental Churches and Father Lorenzo Lorusso, the Under Secretary. His Beatitude Louis Raphaël Sako was elevated to the rank of Cardinal in the consistory held in June last year. Let us all extend to him hearty congratulations!
Visits and Pastoral Collaboration with the Chaldean Church

When I met Archbishop Yousif Thomas Mirkis O.P., Archbishop of Kirkuk & Sulaymania in Rome, he repeated the request which the Chaldean prelates made to the Synod during their visit in January 2018 to have some pastoral collaboration by sending our priests and consecrated men and women to the Chaldean Church. I requested the CMC sisters if it was possible for them to send sisters to begin this pastoral collaboration and they have expressed their readiness in this regard. They have already visited Archbishop Yousif Thomas Mirkis of Kirkuk & Sulaymania and started preparations to begin their mission there. Some of our Bishops made attempts to visit Iraq last month but they could not obtain due visa. I had the plan of handing over the money which we have collected to the Chaldean Patriarch through them but it did not work. Now I hope to meet the Patriarch next month in Rome and I will then hand it over to him. This kind of visits and pastoral collaboration with the Chaldean Church will definitely be a concrete expression of our solidarity to this Church under persecution.

Pastoral care of the Syro-Malabar Faithful in the Gulf countries

The pastoral care of our people in the Gulf countries still remains a problem to be tackled by the Synod and the Apostolic See. Dr Mohan Thomas, the Chief Gulf Coordinator, will come to this session of the Synod to brief the current situation and to request our effective interaction in this matter. There is a new development in Doha regarding the administration of the Church there, as a result of the nomination of the members to the new parish council, which also needs our careful consideration. Let us hope and pray that the upcoming visit of Holy Father Pope Francis to UAE from 3-5 February 2019 may bring forth a favourable outcome for the gulf issue. It seems that there is positive step taken by the Apostolic See to ask the Vicars Apostolic to appoint priests in the Gulf countries for the Syro-Malabar Communities proposed by the Major Archbishop. The Secretary of State has informed the Congregation for the
Oriental Churches of this new measure which may be realized without much delay.

**Golden Jubilee of the Eparchies of Sagar, Satna and Ujjain**

The eparchies of Sagar, Satna and Ujjain held solemn celebration of their Golden Jubilee from 12 to 18 November 2018. I took part in all those three celebrations and am extremely happy to tell that they have been excellently organized. I remember with gratitude all the former Bishops of these eparchies who have toiled hard to grow them up to the present level and I sincerely congratulate the present Bishops who give effective leadership to these eparchies. As we all know, recently they had to pass through many trials and sufferings due to the attacks by extremist groups vindicating religious fanaticism. Let us remember that every experience of suffering and persecution is only a challenge to rededicate ourselves for Christ and His Kingdom.

**Pastoral Visit in Great Britain**

It was a delightful experience for me to make pastoral visit to the Eparchy of Great Britain from 24th November to 09th December 2018. The various Holy Qurbana centres were merged into 28 Missions and their inaugurations took place in different places. These Missions eventually will change into Syro-Malabar parishes when they meet the requirements of a parish. I took part also in the celebrations of the conclusion of the Year of Children and the inauguration of the Year of Youth of the Eparchy. I take this occasion to heartily congratulate Bishop Joseph Srampickal for the effective pastoral leadership that he is giving to the Eparchy of Great Britain.

**All India Jurisdiction**

I would like to share with you a positive understanding of our All India Jurisdiction communicated to me through a letter of the Apostolic Nuncio on 5 July 2018. I quote from his letter: “In compliance with the Letter of the Holy Father Pope Francis to the Bishops of India, on 9 October 2017, the Synod of the Bishops of the
Archiepiscopal Major Syro-Malabar Church is competent to provide to the succession of the Bishop of Bijnor”.

In 1992 when our Church was raised to the status of a Major Archiepiscopal Church, the faculties concerning liturgical matters and the election of Bishops were reserved to the Roman Pontiff. In 1998 recognizing the sufficient collegial maturity of the Synod, the Apostolic See revoked the first of these reservations. On 3 July 2004, the second reservation also was lifted and our Synod became capable of exercising all faculties without reservations. As per CCEO can. 149, in order to fill the office of eparchial bishop, coadjutor bishops or auxiliary bishop outside the territorial boundaries of the patriarchal church, the synod of bishops of the patriarchal church elects, according to the norms of canons on the election of bishops, at least three candidates and proposes them through the patriarch to the Roman Pontiff for appointment. From the above-mentioned communication granting the Synod competency to provide to the office of the Bishop of Bijnor it could be rightly inferred that the Synod can act in future considering the whole of India within the jurisdiction of the Major Archbishop. However, after the historic event of erecting the Eparchy of Shamshabad, there have emerged certain challenges to its jurisdiction from the part of certain bishops, priests and people in different parts of its vast area. This concern also should gain special attention of the Synod.

**Saints, Venerables and Servants of God**

Our Church is blessed with three canonized Saints: St. Alphonsa, St Kuriakose Elias Chavara and St Euphrasia and three Blessed: Bl. Mariam Thresia, Bl. Kunjachan and Bl. Martyr Rani Maria. The number of Venerables has gone up to five when Servants of God Fr Varghese Payyappilly and Fr Augustine John Ukken were elevated to this status in the year 2018 together with the earlier Venerables Bishop Thomas Kurialacherry, Fr. Mathew Kadalikattil and Fr Joseph Vithayathil. The number of Servants of God in our church is now 11.
We shall thank God for His blessings to our Church and continue our prayers for the ecclesial recognition of sanctity in our Church.

**Synod on Youth**

The Synod on Youth with the topic Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment was successfully conducted in Rome from October 3-28, 2018. The Church in Kerala has already observed the Year of Youth in 2018. I think along with the insights generated in the Youth Synod we have to foster the participation of the youth in the life and activities of the Church. All the youth movements sprouting in the Church by the power of the Holy Spirit have to be owned and encouraged by the Bishops and Priests. The youth movements like SMYM, Jesus Youth, Fiat etc, should get their rightful place in the communion of the Syro-Malabar Church. Any negative attitude towards them will be counterproductive.

**The New Eparchy of Mississauga in Canada**

The elevation of the Apostolic Exarchate for the Syro-Malabar Faithful in Canada to the status of an Eparchy and the appointment of Bishop Jose Kalluvelil as its first Bishop on 22 December 2018 is another matter of extreme joy for the whole Church. It was on 6th August 2015 that the Apostolic Exarchate in Canada was erected. The laborious team work of the priests, religious and lay faithful under the efficient leadership of Bishop Jose Kalluvelil has led to the elevation of this Exarchate to the status of an Eparchy within a short period of 39 months. Our sincere congratulations to all of them!

**Ad limina visit**

As the ad limina visit is announced for September 2019, after consulting the Permanent Synod, I have written to Rome requesting to schedule it in such a way that the visit of the Bishops of our Church comes as the last group of the Indian Bishops, so that we may be able to participate in the canonization ceremony of Blessed Mariam Thresia which is expected to take place in October 2019. I am still waiting for a formal confirmation from the concerned dicasteries to give you a definitive answer in this regard. The construction
work of the Procura in Rome is almost complete. Bishop Stephen Chirappanath and his team of priests have moved to the house after an initial blessing. However, we can have a solemn blessing of the house and a modest function of inauguration in the presence of all our Bishops who will be in Rome for the Ad limina.

**Conclusion**

Let us bear in mind that every Synodal session is an ecclesial act in which the celebrations of the Holy Qurbana, the Liturgy of the Hours, personal prayer, deliberations and decisions in the Synodal sittings and other related activities give us an experience of our leadership role in the Church and society. The Holy Spirit is empowering us in all our ecclesial activities. Pope Francis reminds us: ‘Let us be open up to the Spirit, He will push us forward like the wind pushes a sailing boat”.

Since 1st September 2018 full day adoration is taking place in the chapel of the Major Archiepiscopal Curia for the intentions covering the whole Church. During the days of the Synod there will be special intercessory prayers for the fruitful conduct of the Synod. May all our prayers bring upon us God’s blessings and let us enter the Synod invoking the mediation of Holy Mary, Mother of God, St. Thomas our Father in faith, St. Geeverghese and all the Saints of the Church, especially St. Alphonsa, St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara and St. Euphrasia Eluvathingal and St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Blessed Mariam Thresia, Blessed Kunjachan Thevarparampil and Blessed Martyr Rani Maria.

With these words I declare the First Session of the XXVII Synod 2019 open.

**George Cardinal Alencherry**

Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church
The XXVII Synod (2019) Session I began with a recollection preached by Bishop Jacob Muricken, at 10.00 a.m., followed by personal prayer and Holy *Qurbana* of the Bishops with the Major Archbishop George Cardinal Alencherry being the main celebrant in which the Third *Quodasha* (The Order of Mar Nestorius) was celebrated for the first time after its promulgation on 8 September 2018. Bishop Jacob Muricken spoke on the importance of unity in the Church especially in the matter of Liturgy. He presented the example of Jesus who prayed for unity of his disciples (Jn. 10:30). Jesus was a man of prayer. Quite often, especially when he was becoming famous, he used to withdraw to the wilderness for prayer. In today’s world of materialism, we are expected to be spiritual animators. In this regard he referred to the monastic tradition of the East and hermitic style of spirituality. He reminded the Synod Fathers of their prophetic role and their collegial responsibility to protect the Church in the context of the many challenges we are facing today.

At the request of Bishop Thomas Elavanal MCBS, Chairman of the Commission for Liturgy, the Major Archbishop formally released the Anaphora of Nestorius immediately after the recollection talk, by giving a copy of it to Archbishop George Njaralakatt.

The formal sitting of the Synod began at 2.30 p.m. by the lighting of the lamp by the Major Archbishop and a prayer led by him, after which he proceeded with the inaugural address.
The Formal Inauguration of the Synod: In his inaugural address, the Major Archbishop thanked Bishop Jacob Muricken for his spiritual reflections very relevant in the present context of the Church. The Major Archbishop welcomed the two new Bishops: Bishop John Nellikunnel of the Eparchy of Idukki and Bishop James Athikalal MST of the Eparchy of Sagar who attend the Synod for the first time as full members of the Synod. He made reference to Bishop Jacob Manathodath who is attending the Synod also as the Apostolic Administrator sede plena of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly. The Major Archbishop expressed his appreciation on the leadership that our Bishops took to respond to the flood in Kerala and the havoc it created for the people. He appreciated the simple but solemn celebration of the Silver Jubilee of the Major Archiepiscopal status of our Church on the final day of the past January Synod which was graced by the esteemed presence of many ecclesiastical dignitaries. He gave a briefing about the pastoral collaboration of our Church with the Chaldean Church and informed the Synod that the CMC sisters have already started preparations to begin their mission there. The Major Archbishop shared with the Synod his impression that there is positive step taken by the Apostolic See to ask the Vicars Apostolic of the Gulf Countries to appoint for the Syro-Malabar communities priests proposed by the Major Archbishop. He also expressed the hope that the upcoming visit of the Holy Father Pope Francis to UAE in February 2019 may bring forth a more favourable outcome for the Gulf issue.

Referring to the golden jubilees of the eparchies of Sagar, Satna and Ujjain, the Major Archbishop appreciated the growth of these eparchies amidst many trials and sufferings due to the attacks of extremist groups. He shared his experience of pastoral visit to Great Britain and congratulated Bishop Joseph Srampickal on the effective pastoral leadership he is giving there. He referred to the challenges the eparchy of Shamshabad is facing today which, he added, should gain the special attention of the Synod. The Major Archbishop
informed the Synod of a positive understanding of our All India Jurisdiction which has been communicated to us by the Apostolic Nuncio that we are “competent to provide to the succession of the Bishop of Bijnor”. He congratulated Bishop Jose Kalluvelil for his laborious teamwork with his priests, religious and faithful in Mississauga which has led to the elevation of the Exarchate to the status of an Eparchy within a short span of 39 months.

The Major Archbishop urged the Synod Fathers to thank God for His blessings to our Church through Saints, Blessed, Venerables and Servants of God and reminded them of their responsibility to continue their prayers for the ecclesial recognition of sanctity in our Church.

Referring to the Synod of Youth in Rome in October 2018 and the celebration of the Year of Youth in Kerala, the Major Archbishop stated that the Youth Movements like SMYM, Jesus Youth, etc. should get their rightful place in the communion of the Syro-Malabar Church.

The Major Archbishop informed the Synod that he has requested Rome to schedule our *ad limina* visit in such a way that we come as the last group of Indian Bishops in order to facilitate our participation in the canonization ceremony of Blessed Mariam Thresia which is expected to take place in October 2019. He expressed his hope that we may be able to have a solemn blessing of our Procura in Rome in the presence of all our Bishops then.

He informed the Synod of the full day adoration that is taking place in the Chapel of the Major Archepiscopal Curia for the intentions covering the whole Church. Recalling the fact that every Synodal Session is an ecclesiastical act guided by the Holy Spirit and invoking blessings of God, he declared the first Session of the XXVII Synod, 2019 open.

**Participants:** The following members were present for the current session of the Synod: Major Archbishop George Alencherry, Abp. Mathew Moolakkatt OSB (Kottayam), Abp. Andrews Thazhath
Tellicherry), Bp. Sebastian Vaniyapurackal (Curia Bishop), Bp. Tony Neelankavil (Auxiliary, Trichur), Bp. Sebastian Pozholiparambil (Hosur), Bishop John Nellikunnel (Idukki) and Bp. James Athikalalam MST (Sagar)

Office Bearers for the Present Session of the Synod: The Synod approved the designation of the following persons to the various offices and committees for the conduct of the present session:

Moderators: Bishop Raphael Thattil (Convener) and Bishop Remigiose Inchananiyil.

Tellers: Bishop Sebastian Pozholiparambil, Bishop John Nellikunnel, and Bishop James Athikalalam MST.

Committee for the Media: Archbishop Mathew Moolakkatt OSB (Convener), Bishop Raphael Thattil and Bishop Sebastian Adayantrath.

Committee for the Pastoral Circular: Archbishop Kuriakose Bharanikulangara (Convener), Bishop Remigiose Inchananiyil and Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI.

Liturrgical Celebrations: Bishop Pauly Kannookadan.

Review of the Decisions of the Previous Synod: Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI, the Secretary of the Synod read out the decisions of the previous Synod held in January 2018. The Synod reviewed the implementation of the decisions.

Leave of Absence: The Synod granted leave of absence to a few Bishops from certain sittings of the present Session of the Synod for various reasons.

Finalization of the Agenda: Agenda for the present Session of the Synod was taken up for discussion. After a brief discussion, the agenda was finalized with a few modifications and additions. With these additional items, the finalized agenda consisted of the following items:

1. Election to the Office of Bishop of Bijnor
2. Request for an Auxiliary Bishop for the Eparchy of Palghat
3 Elections for: Permanent Synod, Superior Tribunal, Synodal Commission for Mangalapuzha.

4 Information on *ad limina* visit and further discussion on the preparations for the same.

5 A sincere and detailed introspection into our Church as it is today and its system and style of functioning and the very many criticisms we receive day after day from very educated, noble people who want the Church to be the Church of Jesus.

6 Restoration of communion.

7 Dogmatic position of some of the members of the clergy of Ernakulam-Angmaly.

8 Ecclesiastical discipline in our Church.

9 See of the Major Archbishop.

10 Consent of the Synod for the sale of property of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam near Bharath Matha College, Thrikkakara.

11 Finding a solution to the present crisis in the Syro-Malabar Church connected to the land deal in the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly.

12 Separation of the Seat of the Major Archbishop of Syro-Malabar Church from the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly.

13 Confidentiality of the Synodal discussions.

14 Juridical Nature of the Syro-Malabar Church.

15 Ecclesiastical discipline in our Church.

16 Use of media.

17 Grievance Redressal Cells.

18 Restoring the ancient system of administration in our Church.

19 A discussion of the Content of the letter of the Holy Father of 9 October 2017 and its canonical and pastoral implications.

20 The confusing situation in the Diocese of Ahmadabad (Gujarat) propagated by a group by name “SMC4U”.
21 The position of the “Western Region Bishops Council” held in Bombay in July 2018 and their decision to approach the Holy See for getting a further relaxation to the provisions (‘relaxations’) granted by the letter of the Congregation for the Oriental Churches in the context of Faridabad.

22 Making aware of our Bishops and Pastors the need of getting mandate/letters from the Eparchy of Shamshabad when migrant faithful come with the mandate from Latin parishes and priests.

23 The effort of priests and Religious of the Syro-Malabar origin incardinated to Latin Dioceses and Congregations to celebrate the Syro-Malabar Liturgy for the Syro-Malabar Faithful remaining attached to Latin parishes.

24 Allocation of the vast territories of the Eparchy of Shamshabad to different Eparchies and Religious Congregations of the Syro-Malabar Church.

25 Planning about the reorganization of the territories of the Syro-Malabar Mission Eparchies.

26 Request for a new secretary to the commission for doctrine.

27 Sensus Fidei: An opportunity to Evangelise the migrants.

28 Pastoral Care of Knanaya Syro-Malabar Community.

29 Pastoral Challenges in the Extended Territory of the Eparchy of Ramanathapuram.

30 Pastoral Care – Doha, Qatar.

31 Apostolic Visitation in Europe.

32 Reporting on the Procura.

33 Revision of the Syro-Malabar Qurbana.

34 Liturgical hymns.

35 Recognitio of the Anaphoras of Mar Theodore and of Mar Nestorius – any follow up discussion.

36 Karozoutha prayer for the Syro-Malabar faithful in the Gulf Region.

37 Granting favourable opinion to initiate the Cause of Msgr. Joseph Kandathil.
38 Granting favourable opinion to initiate the Cause of Rev. Fr. Varkey Kattarath VC.

39 Granting favourable opinion to initiate the Cause of Sr. Fidelis Thaliyath of the Sisters of Destitute, of Santhidham Mission Province.

40 Granting favourable opinion to initiate the Cause of Rev. Fr. Bruno Kaniarakath CMI.

41 Granting favourable opinion to initiate the Cause of Sr. Mary Collethama FCC.

42 Approval of the Guidelines for Vocation Promotion presented with necessary modifications suggested and fine-tuned accordingly.

43 Approval of the Statutes of CML.

44 Reporting on the consultations with the Seminary Commissions and the Commission for Clergy regarding the feasibility of a training programme for the formators.

45 Discussion on the important points of the report of the Jubilarians’ Meet organized by the Clergy Commission.

46 Amendments of the Statutes of the Major Archiepiscopal Assembly.

47 Discussion on the Revision of the approved list of Marriage Preparation Course Centres.

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71 Presentation of Reports of Various Major Seminaries and the Institutes:
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ii. St. Thomas Apostolic Seminary, Vadavathoor, Kottayam.
iii. Good Shepherd Major Seminary, Kunnoth.
iv. St. Ephrem’s Theological College, Satna.
v. Paurastya Vidyapitham, Vadavathoor

72 Presentation of Report of the Curia.

73 Presentation of the Statement of Accounts and Budget of the Curia.

74 Dates for the forthcoming Agenda.

75 Scrutiny of the decisions.
Issues of Ernakulam-Angamaly Archeparchy: Land deal and connected issues of Ernakulam-Angamaly Archeparchy were taken up for discussion.

Archbishop Andrews Thazhath presented a brief introduction of the whole issue and Bishop Jose Porunnedom with the help of power point gave a chronological evolution of the efforts of the Synod, the Permanent Synod as well as the sub-committee appointed by the Permanent Synod to suggest possible lines of action for a solution. This was followed by interventions of several Bishops. In a later sitting also several Bishops intervened with their suggestions about solving the issue in an amicable manner. Later in another sitting, the Major Archbishop along with Bishop Jacob Manathodath, Bishop Sebastian Adayanthrath and Bishop Jose Puthenevettill gave a briefing about the interaction they had with Msgr. Sebastian Vadakkumpadan, former syncellus, Fr. Joshy Puthuva, former procurator and Fr. Sebastian Manickathan, the present procurator. Bishop Thomas Chakiath too was present in this meeting. This interaction is to be considered as the beginning of the discussion which is to be continued in the coming days which the Bishops plan to have with the Archeparchial bodies of Ernakulam-Angamaly in view of arriving at an amicable settlement.

Consent of the Synod for the Sale of Property of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly: Bishop Jacob Manathodath, the Apostolic Administrator of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly submitted a letter to the Synod requesting the consent of the Synod to permit to sell 11.03 acres of land owned by the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly at Thrikkakara, Vazhakala Village (11 acres, in survey number 479/2 and .03 acres in survey number 478/3) to Chittilappilly Foundation, Thrikkakara, at the rate of Rs. 6.6 Lakhs per cent for 1055.90 cents and for the land under the 11 KV line extending to 47.1 cents at the rate of Rs. 5 Lakh, thus for a total consideration of Rs. 72,04,44,000/- (Rupees Seventy two crores, four lakhs and forty four thousand only). Copies of the consent of the Archeparchial Finance Council and consultors, assessment of
the value of the land by a committee of experts and the details of the previous alienations were also submitted to the Synod along with the letter (cf. CCEO c. 1036-1038). After a brief discussion, it was decided to request the Major Archbishop to grant Bishop Jacob Manathodath permission to sell the above property for the agreed price.

**Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly with the Title of Archbishop:** Archbishop Andrews Thazhath presented a proposal regarding appointment of Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly with the Title of Archbishop. This proposal was prepared by Archbishop Andrews Thazhath, Bishop Jose Porunnedom and the Members of the Committee for Canonical Questions, Archbishop Kuriakose Bharanikulangara, Bishop Remigiose Inchananiyil and Bishop Paul Alappatt. After a detailed discussion in which several bishops participated, it was decided to request the Major Archbishop to take necessary steps in this regard at the appropriate time.

**An Introspection into our Church:** Bishop Gratian Mundadan CMI appealed to the Synod to make an introspection into our Church. The Church is attacked today because of sexual, financial and moral scandals among some priests and even among a few Bishops. This, he added, requires that we make a sincere and detailed study of all these matters which should lead us to a renewal at the individual and collective levels. All the Bishops who participated in the discussion opined that this is a relevant topic which should be considered in the context of the latest events that have taken place in the Church. Reference was made to the decisions of the Major Archiepiscopal Assembly, a sincere implementation of which will go a long way in this direction. It was also suggested to activate existing administrative mechanisms of the Church like *palliyyogam*, with a view to making active participation of the laity in the decision making process. According to some, in the changed context of our Church perhaps a returning to our ancient systems with necessary adaptations also may be thought of.
Christian Identity in the Life and Ministry of Priests: Bishop Ephrem Nariculam, while presenting the topic on Christian identity in the life and ministry of priests, spoke about the need to present the Church with true witness of Christian values in the present socio-religious, cultural and political context of our country today. In this connection he stressed the importance of the Church gaining credibility in the society. He added that there is a dire need of practicing priestly discipline in our eparchies. In the interventions of the Bishops, several suggestions came up, the important highlights of which are the following:

1. Priests now take up the role of laity by excessive involvement in temporal matters.
2. Many priests consider their role as a comfortable profession.
3. Often performers are rewarded almost ignoring “the Vicars of Ars.”
4. Solutions to these problems can be arrived at only by living genuine liturgical life.
5. Making all priests serving in Kerala take up mission work at least for three years in one of our mission eparchies will go a long way in finding a solution to these problems.

The Major Archbishop observed that secularization of priests is a serious disorientation today. This quite often leads to Church-politics and careerism. On the basis of the above-mentioned observations and suggestions it was decided to have a retreat for all the Bishops of the Synod on January 7, 8, and 9, 2020 and hold, XXVIII Synod (2020), Session I on January 10, 11, 13, 14, and 15, 2020. It was also decided to entrust a Committee consisting of the Members of the Clergy Commission and Chairmen of Seminary Commissions with the Chairman of the Clergy Commission as the Coordinator, to take necessary steps to discuss in the following session of the Synod the theme of formation of priests and seminarians from three angles: clericalism, safe-environment and missionary orientation.
Granting Favourable Opinion to Initiate the Cause of Msgr. Joseph Kandathil: Archbishop Kuriakose Bharanikulangara, Convener, Committee for Canonical Questions, presented a brief report about the study conducted by the Committee as per the direction of Synod of January 2018. After a brief discussion, the Synod decided to grant its favourable opinion to initiate the cause of Msgr. Joseph Kandathil.

Granting Favourable Opinion to Initiate the Cause of Fr. Varkey Kattarath VC: Bishop Jacob Manathodath, Apostolic Administrator, Ernakulam-Angamaly, presented a brief account of the life, activities and virtues of Fr. Varkey Kattarath VC, Founder of the Vincentian Congregation. After a few interventions by the Bishops, the Synod decided to grant its favourable opinion to initiate the cause of Fr. Varkey Kattarath VC.

Granting Favourable Opinion to Initiate the Cause of Fr. Bruno Kanjarakath CMI & Sr. Mary Collethama FCC: Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt requested the Synod to grant its favourable opinion to initiate the cause of Fr. Bruno Kanjarakath CMI and Sr. Mary Collethama FCC. After a brief discussion, it was decided to request Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt to constitute a committee as per the Guidelines approved in the Synod 2008 and submit its findings before the Synod.

Granting Favourable Opinion to Initiate the Cause of Sr. Fidelis Thaliyath SD: Archbishop Kuriakose Bharanikulangara requested the Synod to grant its favourable opinion to initiate the cause of Sr. Fidelis Thaliyath SD. After a few interventions by the Bishops, it was decided to request Archbishop Kuriakose Bharanikulangara to constitute a committee as per the Guidelines approved in the Synod of 2008 and submit its findings before the Synod.

Safe Environment Committee: Bishop Jose Porunnedom, referring to POCSO, *Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace* and several scandals, reminded the Synod of the urgency of addressing these issues in our Eparchies. After a brief discussion, it was decided to
request the Major Archbishop to give direction to the Eparchies to constitute Safe Environment Committee and appoint a Safe Environment Director.

**Promulgation of the Safe Environment Guidelines:** Bishop Jose Porunnedom informed the Synod that the KCBC has already published Guidelines for Safe Environment Programme for Church personnel connected with institutions where minors or vulnerable adults are given particular care and requested the Synod to promulgate it for the use of our Church. After interventions by a few Bishops, it was decided to make necessary adaptations in the Guidelines of the KCBC and promulgate it for the use of our Church personnel.

**Training of the Church Personnel:** Bishop Jose Porunnedom informed the members of the need to have a training programme for Church personnel in the context of several abuses taking place in the society today. After a brief discussion, it was decided to request Bishop Sebastian Vaniyapurackal, the Curia Bishop, to organize training programme for Church personnel based on the Guidelines for Safe Environment Programme.

**Grievance Redressal Cells:** Bishop Jose Porunnedom informed the Synod of the need of instituting Grievance Redressal Cells in view of settling disputes at various levels. In the discussion that followed, several Bishops participated and it was decided to request the Major Archbishop to give direction to all our Eparchies to institute Grievance Redressal Cells.

**Interaction with FCC Superior General:** The Synod had in an earlier sitting discussed the FCC issue and had proposed to invite FCC Superior General to have an interaction with the Bishops. Accordingly Sr. Ann Joseph, Superior General FCC came to the Synod hall at 12.00 noon on Friday, 11 January and the Major Archbishop welcomed and requested her to give a briefing about the problems connected with disciplinary action initiated against Sr. Lucy FCC. Sr. Lucy (aged 54) belongs to Mananthavady province of the Franciscan
Clarist Congregation. At present she serves as a teacher in a school run by the Norbertine Fathers, Mananthavady. She has been violating various rules of the congregation, including the vows of poverty and obedience. Although she had been given warnings from time to time by the Provinceals concerned, she was not willing to come to the main stream. Her case has now been referred to the Superior General who in turn has served her the first warning letter with the threat of dismissal from the congregation. In view of maintaining settling the issue in an amicable manner, the Superior General has invited Sr. Lucy to the generalate. It is heard that she might come to the generalate with her supporters and the Media which is likely to disturb the peaceful atmosphere of the generalate. The Major Archbishop and all the Bishops who made interventions assured the Superior General of the full cooperation and solidarity of the Synod in this issue and requested her to join another meeting of the Synod at 5.00 p.m. on the same day in which representatives of religious and lay organizations of the Church will participate.

In afternoon sitting of the same day, the Major Archbishop welcomed to the Synod Sr. Ann Joseph FCC Superior General, Justice Cyriac Joseph, Adv. Biju Parayannilam, President AKCC, Dr. Reethamma, President, Mathruvedi, Fr. Jimmy Poochakkatt, PRO, Fr. Joby Maprakavil MST, Executive Director, SMCIM, Bro. Franco Kannampuzha, Vice-President, SMRC& MMB Superior General, Fr. Sebastian Thundathikunnel VC, Superior General & President KCMS, Sr. Shubha Maria, CMC Provincial, Ernakulam, Sr. Elsy Xavier, CHF Provincial, Aluva, Fr. Roby Alencherry, Director, SMYM. Sr. Ann Joseph, the Superior General, introduced the problem connected with the disciplinary action against Sr. Lucy FCC. This was followed by interventions by all the invitees. Some of them suggested strict disciplinary action while others advised action that should reflect the mercy of the Church and the Congregation. Justice Cyriac Joseph was of the opinion that action should be taken against her as per the FCC constitution. While the action should reflect natural justice and mercy, there shall be no compromise with regard to the insistence
on discipline. Response of the Media or the general public should not come in the way of action. For further discussion on the matter, the Major Archbishop requested the Media Commission to interact with the invitees in the conference hall with a view to arriving at a concrete plan of action.

**Issues connected with the Eparchy of Shamshabad:** Bishop Raphael Thattil gave a brief description of the Eparchy of Shamshabad. The Eparchy which is spread over 87 Latin dioceses, has a Syro-Malabar population of around one lakh twenty thousand. The highest concentration of our community is in Hyderabad (around 20000) followed by Ahmadabad, Baroda, Jaipur, Patna, Indore, Bhopal and Calcutta. At present 90 priests are serving in different parts of the eparchy. After the erection of the eparchy, three deacons have been ordained for the Eparchy and there are 15 seminarians in different stages of formation. Making reference to the letter of the Holy Father dated 9 October 2017, Bishop Thattil informed the Synod that pastoral care and mission work are the two important dimensions of pastoral implications of the Eparchy. Whereas the former is rather easy and comfortable, the latter requires adequate preparation on the part of priests and sisters. In this context it was suggested that the Church should have a master plan for mission work with resources and personnel. There were concrete suggestions regarding adoption of a mission Eparchy/parish by an Eparchy/parish in Kerala and recruitment of candidates for serving in the mission Eparchies. Taking into account all the above-mentioned suggestions, there was a reference to the earlier decision of the Synod that the Major Archbishop send a pastoral letter regarding the content of the letter of the Holy Father and the erection of the Eparchy of Shamshabad to all the Syro-Malabar Eparchies.

**The Situation in Ahmadabad:** Bishop Raphael Thattil informed the Synod of a confusing situation created by a group by name ‘SMC4U’ in Ahmadabad. This group consists of members of Syro-Malabar community who would like to follow Syro-Malabar liturgy without
joining the Eparchy of Shamshabad and is supported by a few priests of Syro-Malabar origin incardinated to the Latin dioceses and religious engaged in pastoral ministry there. In this context he expressed his anxiety regarding the effect of the letter of Cardinal Oswald Gracias. He also shared with the Synod the possibility of some of the Latin Bishops approaching the Apostolic See for getting a further relaxation to the provisions granted by the letter of the Congregation for the Oriental Churches in the context of Faridabad. After a brief discussion, it was suggested that we should request the Apostolic See, not to give such a relaxation, through a representation to be signed, if necessary, by all the bishops.

**Marriage Kuries:** Bishop Raphael Thattil informed the Synod that he came to know that some members of our community approach our parishes in Kerala with marriage kuries from Latin parishes. The Bishops who made interventions in this regard opined that this issue has to be properly addressed. After a brief discussion it was decided to request the Major Archbishop to give direction to our Bishops and priests in the pastoral letter mentioned above regarding the need of getting mandate/letters from the respective eparchies for celebration of sacraments in their home parishes.

**Allocation of Territories to Different Eparchies and Religious Congregations:** Bishop Raphael Thattil shared with the Synod the possibility of allocating different territories of Shamshabad to other Eparchies and religious congregations of the Syro-Malabar Church. The bishops who participated in the discussion that followed accepted his proposal and suggested that Bishop Raphael Thattil in consultation with the bishops and the major superiors concerned, make a master plan regarding this proposal.

**Representation to the Holy Father Regarding Bi-ritualism:** The Major Archbishop brought to the attention of the Bishops the letter of Archbishop Cyril Vasil addressed to Bishop Raphael Thattil. This letter is in the context of the interpretation of bi-ritualism by persons concerned. He added that we have to be cautious about
any interpretation of bi-ritualism which may create any confusion, judicial anomaly and anarchy. Several Bishops participated in the discussion and it was decided to request the Major Archbishop to make a representation to the Holy Father in this regard with the signature of all the Bishops.

**Pastoral Challenges in the Extended Territory of the Eparchy of Ramanathapuram:** Bishop Paul Alappatt gave a briefing about the present status of the Eparchy of Ramanathapuram. He brought to the attention of the Synod a few challenges like lack of sufficient number of priests, and facilities for Eucharistic celebrations, catechism classes, etc., small size of families and poor response of religious congregations to take up pastoral and social activities in the Eparchy. He appealed to the Bishops to lend service of priests for the Eparchy, undertake pastoral care and evangelization in certain areas of the Eparchy, provide maximum possible financial support and motivate various religious institutes to start their houses and apostolates in the extended territory of the eparchy.

**Extension of Latin Jurisdiction to the Syro-Malabar Eparchies with Exclusive Jurisdiction:** Bishop Thomas Thuruthimattam CST had in an earlier sitting of the current Synodal Session presented the issues connected with the extension of Latin jurisdiction to the Latin faithful residing in the territories of Syro-Malabar Eparchies with exclusive jurisdiction. After intervention by a few Bishops, it was decided to request the Bishops of the eparchies with exclusive jurisdiction to refer the matter to the CBCI Special Commission for Evangelization in view of arriving at an amicable settlement of the issue, when a direction comes from Apostolic See regarding this matter.

**Pastoral Care in Gulf Countries:** Bishop Sebastian Vadakel MST read out a letter of Dr. Mohan Thomas, Chief Coordinator of SMCA in which he has requested the Synod to take necessary steps towards the announcement of an Eparchy for the Gulf Countries during the papal visit in February 2019 to Abu Dhabi. The Major
Archbishop brought to the attention of the Synod a letter from the Oriental Congregation regarding adequate pastoral care for the Syro-Malabar faithful which the Apostolic See is planning in Gulf Countries. He also informed the bishops that he has been invited by Bishop Paul Hinder, the Apostolic Vicar of Southern Arabia to the solemn Eucharistic celebration and the interfaith conference in connection with the Papal Visit on February 4 and 5, 2019.

**Reservation of Dalit Christians and the New Bill of Economic Reservation:** Archbishop Andrews Thazhath presented before the Synod the issue of new Bill of economic reservation and denial of reservation to the Dalit Christians. Although Indian constitution assures freedom of religion and equality of rights, Dalit Christians, though Dalits (Scheduled Caste) by birth, are denied provisions of the reservation because they are Christians, which Dalits of other religions enjoy. This is a clear instance of discrimination and injustice. After a brief discussion, it was decided to request the Catholica Congress to take up the matter with the Government so that necessary legal provisions are made at all levels regarding reservation for Dalit Christians.

**Representation to the CM of Kerala on behalf of Farmers:** There were several discussions in previous Sessions of the Synod regarding the agriculture sector is facing today. Many Bishops who made interventions regarding this in the present sitting opined that we should pro-actively respond to this. After some discussion it was decided to request the Major Archbishop to make a representation to the Chief Minister of Kerala requesting him to write off the debts of farmers.

**Matters of Syro-Malabar Youth Movement:** Bishop Joseph Pandarasseril, referring to the bylaws of SMYM, informed the Synod that they had been approved for a term of three years. Though initial apprehensions about the SMYM are slowly disappearing, the bylaws have not been fully accepted in many of our Eparchies. Only after implementing the bylaws in all Eparchies, the final draft
could be presented in the Synod. As the period of approval of the bylaws is getting over soon, it was decided to extend it for another term of three years. In order to strengthen youth apostolate in all Eparchies, Bishop Joseph Pandrarasseril gave a few suggestions like conscientizing the Directors of SMYM, interaction of Bishops with SMYM members during the pastoral visit, organizing youth camps aiming at faith formation and not as mere career guidance programme, etc. He requested the Synod to help him identify source of raising funds for organizing activities of SMYM.

**Convention of the Youth of Eparchies outside India in Rome:** Bishop Joy Alappatt informed the Synod about the proposed youth convention in Rome in 2020. The participants of this convention are the youth population of the four Eparchies outside India and the Apostolic Visitations in Europe and New Zealand. This convention will be planned under the leadership of Bishop Jose Kalluvelil, in consultation with the Commission for Youth. After a brief discussion it was decided to give approval to this regional convention.

**Election of KCYM Office Bearers:** Bishop Joseph Pandrarasseril informed the Synod that the President of KCYM by turn will be elected from the Syro-Malabar Church this year. Since the upper age-limit of SMYM members is 30, those above that age will not be eligible to be elected to this post. This has led to an unrest among our youth. KCBC has relaxed the upper age-limit by fixing it as 35 till 2020-21. Taking into consideration this provision given by the KCBC and the mind of the youth, it was decided to fix the upper age-limit of SMYM candidates contesting during the coming elections as 35 as a special case.

**Request of Consecrated Virgins:** Bishop Jose Pulickal presented before the Synod the request of Miss Mary Maleparambil in which she has represented the desire of some unmarried women to live a life of consecrated virgins. She has stated that such women approach the Major Archbishop for his permission for the same not because they could not enter married or consecrated life but
because they have realized that their call is neither to marry nor consecrated life in a congregation but to a life of consecrated virgin. After a brief discussion, it was decided to request Bishop Jose Pulickal to give a reply to Miss Mary Maleparambil and her colleagues in the following line: 1) They may contact the concerned eparchial Bishops and enter into a life of a consecrated virgin within the frame work of existing laws. 2) They can associate themselves with religious congregations which already have such provisions. 3) They can volunteer to work in a mission center or a retreat center which require the service of such women.

Identity Card for Bishops: Bishop Sebastian Vadakel MST made reference to identity cards used by our priests. These identity cards are being prepared and made available by the Eparchy concerned. Bishop Vadakel suggested that it may be good that Bishops too have identity cards, especially in the present context. All the Bishops who intervened welcomed this suggestion. After a brief discussion it was decided to request Bishop Sebastian Vadakel to take the necessary steps with the help of the Internet Mission (SMCIM) to make identity cards available to all Bishops with the signature of the Major Archbishop.

Sensus Fidei-An Opportunity to Evangelise the Faithful: Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt gave a briefing about the topic - Sensus Fidei-an Opportunity to evangelise the migrant faithful. This programme which aims at instructing the faithful, as per the thinking of the Church, is expected to be of immense value to all the faithful throughout the world. It is hoped that this would energize all our migrants with a burning desire to deepen our faith by a renewed evangelization of our communities and would eventually help us overcome the major problems confronting the migrant faithful as members of the Church.

Points from the Jubilarians’ Meet: Bishop Sebastian Vaniyapurackal, the Curia Bishop, presented important points that came up during the sharing by priests who celebrated their Sacerdotal Silver and
Golden Jubilee in the year 2017 and 2018. The main idea that came out of the sharing was about the need of connecting synod with priests, religious and laity. After a discussion in which several bishops participated, it was decided to request the Major Archbishop to entrust the permanent synod with the task of identifying an appropriate topic for the consideration of the synod which after the study at eparchial level, is to be discussed with representatives of priests, religious and laity for one full day of the Synod. It was also decided to request the Clergy Commission to organize separate meetings of Silver and Golden Jubilarians.

**Honours and Titles of the Syro-Malabar Church:** Bishop Pauly Kannonkadand, Convener, Committee for Honours and Titles, presented before the synod following titles for missionaries and social workers among priests, religious and lay persons for their meritorious service: 1. *Preshithatharam* for missionaries, 2. *Samoohya Prathibha* for social workers to priests, religious and laity. The committee also suggested granting the title of Archpriest to the Vicar of every Major Archiepiscopal Pilgrim Centre. It was decided to give approval to the above-mentioned suggestions of the Committee.

**Posthumous Awarding of Titles:** There was a request by Archbishop Joseph Perumthottam to confer posthumously the title of *Mahamissionary* on Fr. Joseph Maliparampil, a visionary and missionary of the Syro-Malabar Church. After a brief discussion, it was decided not to consider requests for posthumous award of titles.

**Conferring of Sabhatharam and Vaidikaratnam:** The Major Archbishop had forwarded to the Committee for Honours and Titles the requests of Archbishop Joseph Perumthottam for Prof. Mathew Ulakamthara (*Sabhatharam*), Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt for Fr. Joseph Kuzhinjalil (*Vaidikaratnam*) and Bishop George Madathikandathil for Fr. George Oliappuram (*Vaidikaratnam*). The Committee recommended the conferral of these titles. The Synod
after some discussion decided to confer *Sabtharam* on Prof. Mathew Ulakamthara and *Vaidikaratnam* on Fr. George Oliappuram.

**Declaring St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara as the Patron of Families:** The Major Archbishop brought to the attention of the Synod a request of Fr. Paul Achandy, Prior General CMI to declare St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara as Patron of Families. He has substantiated his request on the basis of St. Chavara’s unique pastoral accompaniment of families, pioneering retreats for family renewal, *oru nalla appanate chavarul*, which is a testament of a loving father to the families of Kainakiri, etc. During the discussion, it was proposed that we wait till the canonization of Bl. Mariam Thresia as she is considered to be Patroness of Families.

**Elections:** The Synod conducted the following elections:

1. **Election for the Office of Bishop of the Eparchy of Bijnor:** The Synod took appropriate decision on the matter.

2. **The Permanent Synod:** The Synod elected Archbishop Andrews Thazhath, Archbishop Mathew Moolakkatt OSB and Archbishop George Njaralakatt as Members. The nominee of the Major Archbishop was Bishop Jacob Manathodath. As Substitute Members of the Permanent Synod, the Synod elected Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt, Archbishop Joseph Perumthottam and Bishop George Madathikandathil. The nominee of the Major Archbishop was Bishop Paul Alappatt.

3. **Commission for St. Joseph Pontifical Seminary, Mangalapuzha:** The Synod elected Bishop George Madathikandathil (Chairman), Bishop Tony Neelankavil and Bishop John Nellikunnel (Members) of the Commission for St. Joseph Pontifical Seminary, Mangalapuzha.

4. **Synodal Tribunal:** The Synod elected Archbishop Mathew Moolakatt OSB General Moderator for Administration of Justice and Bishop Remigiose Inchananiyil and Bishop Sebastian Vaniyapurackal members of the Superior Tribunal.
Appointment of Commissions: The Major Archbishop informed the Synod that the following Commissions are reconstituted with effect from 18 January 2019 as follows:

1 Commission for Catechesis
   Archbishop George Njaralakatt (Chairman)
   Bishop Joseph Arumachadath MCBS (Member)
   Bishop Lawrence Mukkuzhy (Member)

2 Commission for Ecumenism
   Archbishop Joseph Perumthottam (Chairman)
   Bishop Thomas Thuruthimattam CST (Member)
   Bishop Joseph Kodakallil (Member)

3 Commission for Evangelization and Pastoral Care of Migrants
   Bishop Raphael Thattil (Chairman)
   Bishop Sebastian Vadakel MST (Member)
   Bishop Joseph Pandarasseril (Member)

4 Commission for Doctrine
   Bishop Tony Neelankavil (Chairman)
   Bishop Joseph Pamplany (Member)
   Bishop Jose Pulickal (Member)

5 Commission for Clergy
   Bishop George Madathikandathil (Chairman)
   Bishop Thomas Tharayil (Member)
   Bishop Sebastian Pozholiparambil (Member)

6 Commission for Family, Laity and Life
   Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt (Chairman)
   Bishop Jose Pulickal (Member)
   Bishop Remigiose Inchananinyil (Member)

7 Commission for Media:
   Bishop Joseph Pamplany (Chairman)
   Bishop Pauly Kannookadan (Member)
   Bishop Sebastian Vaniyapurackal (Member)
Appointment of the Secretary of the Commission for Doctrine: Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt informed the Synod about the need of appointing a new secretary as Bishop Joseph Pamplany, the secretary of the Commission for Doctrine, has been appointed Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Tellicherry. In this connection he sought the mind of the Synod regarding the person to be appointed to the office of the secretary. He presented the names of three persons from whom the Synod favoured the appointment of Fr. Francis Pittapillil, who at the moment is serving as the Asst. Secretary of the Commission.

Major Appointments in Mount St. Thomas: During a previous sitting of the present Session of the Synod, there was a suggestion about informing the Eparchies while making important appointments at Mount St. Thomas like Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Finance Officer, etc. In the discussion that was made on the basis of this suggestion it was proposed to make major appointments in Mount St. Thomas by giving a participatory role to all the Eparchies without making any amendments to the existing laws. It was clarified that such provision is not expected to be applicable to the appointment of office bearers of Commissions.

Liturgical Matters: Bishop Remigiose Inchananiyil, moderator of the sittings, welcomed Fr. Francis Pittappillil, Secretary, Commission for Liturgy. Bishop Thomas Elavanal MCBS, Chairman, Commission for Liturgy, introduced the suggestions and observations of the Special Committee of Bishops regarding the areas of revision of the Syro-Malabar Qurbana. After some discussion, the Synod decided the following:

1. To have in the Qurbana ‘Our Father’ with the canona after ‘Glory to God in the Highest’. But its second part, namely, ‘Glory be to the Father’ and the rest can be given as optional. It is decided to change the wording ‘καθαρλογονταυτως’ to ‘καθαρλογονταυτως Ο’.
2 The first slotha for Sundays may begin with ‘തെന്നാലോ പള്ളിയോ മാനോ മുസാകൾ.’ and for feast days ‘നേതാവിലേകുളം കാലാങ്മാർ.’ ‘അത്താല്‍കെട്ട് പാലിയുമാതേ’ will be changed to ‘സെന്തറോ എയ്ഡവിന്റെ സെയ്’ and ‘നേതാവിലേകുളം കാലാങ്മാർ’ will be changed to ‘അത്താല്‍കെട്ട് മനോ മുസാകള് കാലാം.’

3 In Onithad’Qanke prayer, the wording ‘അബാസി നിരമല്ലിപ്പിച്ച് സമാകത്തി പിടിയിലിടുന്നത് അമാവസ്യാമത്’ will be changed to ‘അബാസി നിരമല്ലിപ്പിച്ച് സമാകത്തി പിടിയിലിടുന്നത് അമാവസ്യാമത്’.

4 For Trisagion, the hymn ഹലെലൂയയാ എന്നായ്മാത്പില് പ്രേരണ പെട്ടിദേശ്ചെ ക്ഷേത്രം പോലി പ്രേരണമാണ് പെട്ടിദേശ്ചെ അറിയിച്ചത് പെട്ടിദേശ്ചെ പെട്ടിദേശ്ചെ അറിയിച്ചത് പെട്ടിദേശ്ചെ അറിയിച്ചത് പെട്ടിദേശ്ചെ അറിയിച്ചത് പെട്ടിദേശ്ചെ അറിയിച്ചത്.

5 For Ordinary days, one Slotha may be sufficient before the reading of the epistle.

6 The hymn Halleluiah should be sung invariably before the Gospel reading.

7 The response of the karozutha shall be ‘തെന്നാലോ പള്ളിയോ മാനോ മുസാകൾ’ and standing position is proposed for the community during Karozutha.

8 Further study is recommended with regard to the appropriateness of choosing other Onitad’Raze for ordinary days.

9 In the karozutha of the deacon after Creed, the ‘Major Archbishops and Archbishops’ can be included along with the ‘Patriarchs’.

10 The title of the first anaphora will be ‘അത്താല്‍കെത്ത് കുരിപ്പിക്കുന്ന പെട്ടിദേശ്ചെ എന്നായ്മാത്പില് ക്ഷേത്രം പോലി പ്രേരണമാണ് പെട്ടിദേശ്ചെ അറിയിച്ചത് പെട്ടിദേശ്ചെ അറിയിച്ചത് പെട്ടിദേശ്ചെ അറിയിച്ചത് പെട്ടിദേശ്ചെ അറിയിച്ചത് പെട്ടിദേശ്ചെ അറിയിച്ചത് പെട്ടിദേശ്ചെ അറിയിച്ചത്.

11 In the Diptychs, the ‘Major Archbishops and Archbishops’ can be included along with the ‘Patriarchs’.
13 The wording in the prefatory dialogue ‘എണ്ണാകല്പിശങ്കം നടത്തു’ is preferred to ‘എണ്ണാകല്പിശങ്കം നേടുന്നു’.
14 The beginning of the third g’hanta may be ‘കല്ലാതുദിത എന്ന നൂതന ഇല്ലാത്ത വിഭാഗവും അറിയാൻ തുടങ്ങി’.
15 Third g’hanta is to be reformulated.
16 In the prayer of Institution Narrative, only one sign of cross may be printed on the Taksa.
17 In the Intercessory prayer (fourth kusappa), repetition of ‘അണ്ഡല്ലെ’ can be reduced.
18 The intercessory prayer may begin with ‘കല്ലാതുദിത കല്ലാതുദിത തുടങ്ങി ഈ പ്രവൃത്തിയിൽ ഇന്നെ എന്ന അപ്രതിഫലം ഇതി’.
19 The fourth g’hanta is to be reformulated.
20 The exhortation of the deacon “Let us pray in silence and reverence. Peace be with us” can be given in the text before the prayer of epiclesis.
21 The ending of the prayer of incensing during the rite of reconciliation is to be reformulated with the words, ‘എന്നാൽ പാലിക്കേണറി തുറന്നുതല്ലാൻ’ for the deacon and the community.
22 During the time of elevation of the Eucharistic bread, ringing of the bell, incensing and Arathi may be done, but only till the end of the prayer of the celebrant.
23 The community may raise their hands while reciting “Our Father” before the Holy Communion.
24 When the priest blesses the community with the sign of the Cross, the people make the sign of the Cross on themselves.
25 There should be time of silence after the communion song and before beginning the thanksgiving prayer.
26 The Hymn of Thanksgiving may be composed for the prayer of the community for Sundays and feast days incorporating the ideas of the prayer given in the Qurbana Text.
27 Appropriate and unanimous suggestion shall be made by the Special Committee with regard to the use of ‘തോത്തി’, ‘മാ’

28 Those parts of the Holy Qurbana which require further study and reformulation shall be presented before the Synod after a detailed study by the Commission for Liturgy and arriving at a unanimous decision in the Special Committee.

Interaction with the Apostolic Nuncio: On Tuesday, 15 January, the Major Archbishop welcomed Archbishop Giambattista Diquattro, the Apostolic Nuncio and requested him to address the Synod. The Apostolic Nuncio after communicating to the Synod greetings of the Holy Father, invited the Bishops to reflect on communion as mentioned in the letter of Holy Father Pope Francis to the Bishops of India, dated 9 October 2017. The “Varietas Ecclesiarum” which is the characteristic of India, suits well with the diversity of this country. In this “Varietas” the Syro-Malabar Church has a preeminent role as expressed in the words of Cardinal Leonardo Sandri, the Prefect of the Congregation for the Oriental Churches, in an encounter in Rome seven years ago: “The Catholic Church needs the Syro-Malabar Church...Its vitality gives an excellent example to all, especially in the West where insidious effects of the secularism are so widely spread.” Pope Francis has repeated on many occasions that the Holy Spirit does not create uniformity, but unity in diversity. For this reason, the Fathers of the Church of the third and fourth centuries said: “The Holy Spirit, is harmony” because He creates harmonic unity in diversity. Pope Francis in his letter less than two years ago, recalled his predecessor St. John Paul II writing in 1987: “In India, even after many centuries, Christians are only a small percentage of the population and consequently there is a particular need to demonstrate unity and avoid any semblance of division. St. John Paul II had also stated that the need for unity and preservation of diversity are not opposed to one another. The goals outlined by Holy Father Francis in his letter to the Bishops in India should be taken more often into our prayer and his address should be seen
as an invitation as well as an opportunity for growth in faith and communion. This in fact is the vision also of Vatican Council II.

After a few interventions by the Bishops, the Major Archbishop observed that the Syro-Malabar Church had kept communion a prime concern even during the divisions that had taken place in the Church in the 17th Century. He added that we want to keep always this communion within the Universal Church, but would request the Apostolic See to make other Churches understand the specificity of each Church while fostering communion. He then thanked the Apostolic Nuncio for having found time to address the Synod and meet the Bishops individually.

**Shekinah Television:** On Wednesday, 16 January, Archbishop Andrews Thazhath gave the Synod a brief information about Shekinah Television which is a news channel started under the initiative of Mr. Santhosh Karumathara and owned by a few Catholic Laymen under his leadership, having its Head Quarters at Thalikode, Pattikkad, Thrissur. At the request of Bishop Raphael Thattil, the moderator, Mr. Santhosh gave the details of the Shekinah Channel to the Synod. This Channel will hold Catholic values and will be an organ for the cause of Christ and the Church. It is proposed to launch the channel either on 21stMarch or 28thApril 2019 and he requested the co-operation and the support of the Bishops by making available experts, finance and above all prayers. During the interventions the Bishops suggested that this channel should become a platform for the Church to project Catholic views especially in the background of media attacks on the Church and its leadership. The Major Archbishop communicated to Mr. Santhosh the appreciation of the Synod for his spiritual orientation of his initiative and appealed to the Bishops to help him in whatever way possible.

**Report of the Synodal Major Seminaries and Paurastya Vidyāpīṭham:** Bishop Remigiose Inchananiyil, the moderator, welcomed Fr. Mathew Illathuparambil (Rector, Mangalapuzha), Fr. Emmanuel Attel (Rector, Kunnoth), Fr. Joseph Otapurackal (Rector,
Satna), Fr. Joy Ainiyadan (Rector, Vadavathoor) and Fr. Andrews Mekkattukunnel (President, Paurastya Vidyāpīṭham).

1. **St. Joseph Pontifical Seminary, Mangalapuzha**: Fr. Mathew Illathuparampil, the Rector presented the report of the Seminary for the academic year 2017-18. The report appreciated the leadership given to the Seminary by the Synodal Commission. During the academic year the Seminary had 206 students. The Seminary is served by 19 Resident Staff, 25 Visiting Professors and 17 Auxiliary Staff. Through the Spiritual, Intellectual, Human, Pastoral and Missionary formation, the Seminary gives adequate formation for the future priests of our Church. Sufficient opportunities are given to the students to develop their intellectual and pastoral aptitudes. In view of improving the quality of priestly formation the report suggested a staff-updating programme, empowering parents of the seminarians to become good formators and insisting on seminarians and priests using Christian names in public.

2. **Paurastya Paurastya Vidyāpīṭham, Vadavathoor**: Fr. Andrews Mekkattukunnel, President of *Paurastya Vidyāpīṭham* presented the report of the Institute. The *Vidyāpīṭham* has 6 professors, 8 lecturers, 9 teachers on probation and 51 visiting faculty. The total number of students is 273. The newly erected Institute of Eastern Canon Law was inaugurated on August 27, 2017 by His Beatitude Mar George Cardinal Alencherry in the meeting presided over by His Beatitude Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos and attended by 28 Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church. In order to accommodate 30 students of this Institute, the existing infrastructure is being enlarged by constructing a new Block with local contribution. The report proudly mentions numerous books and articles published by the teaching staff.

3. **St. Thomas Apostolic Seminary, Vadavathoor**: Fr. Joy Ainiyadan, the Rector, presented the report of the St. Thomas Apostolic
Seminary which has 218 Students hailing from 23 Eparchies and 7 religious congregations. There are 20 resident staff, 45 visiting professors, 4 resident spiritual directors and 19 auxiliary staff. Being situated in a place inhabited by various non-catholic Christian denominations, the seminary arranges various ecumenical programmes. In view of making the formation meaningful it is suggested that the seminarians become spiritual persons by resorting to interior silence, cherishing in their hearts an intense longing for the fullness of the Spirit of God and taking bold initiatives to simplify the ways of worship.

4. **St. Ephrem’s Theological College, Satna:** Fr. Joseph Oottapurackal, the Rector presented the report of St. Ephrem’s Theological College. In the academic year 2017-18, there were 68 Seminarians in the College. The Seminary has 6 resident staff, 30 visiting professors and 7 auxiliary staff. Besides the spiritual and intellectual formation, the Seminary stresses pastoral and missionary dimensions. Reference was made to the attack on priests and seminarians during Christmas carol singing in a village called Bhumahar. However, the seminarians still visit villages regularly. Unlike other seminaries, St. Ephrem’s is not receiving any contribution from the students for the maintenance of the seminary. As the funding agencies may stop contributing at any point of time, it is necessary to identify source of financial assistance for the seminary. Some parts of the seminary building needs urgent repairs and renovation.

5. **Good Shepherd Major Seminary, Kunnoth:** Fr Emmanuel Attel, the Rector, presented the report of the Seminary. The total strength of the Students is 187, hailing from 20 eparchies and 12 religious congregations. The formation stresses on the spiritual, intellectual, human, missionary and pastoral dimensions. As the seminary faces financial constraints, the report suggested enhancement of eparchial contribution. The Seminary is trying to raise funds from the parishes to overcome the deficit. In the
current year the seminary could raise about 90 Lakhs through the parishes. The Rector expressed his gratitude to the Seminary Commission and the Synod of Bishops for their paternal solicitude towards the Seminary.

The presentation of the report was followed by observations of the Chairmen of Seminary Commissions and interventions by several bishops. The Bishops appreciated the commitment and dedication of Rectors and staff members of seminaries in giving proper training to the young candidates to priesthood. They recollected in particular the exemplary role played by the seminaries during the flood. At the same time the Bishops pointed out several areas which need improvement. The following are the important highlights of their observations and suggestions:

Resistance to face hardships in life, lack of proper motivation, reluctance to show priestly identity (use of priestly dress), absence of role models, lack of prayerfulness, clericalism, lack of belongingness to the Church, use of abusive and indecent words, generation gap, tendency to consider priesthood as a profession, increase of secular outlook and decline of spiritual dimension, formation given in the context, but actual life in the international context (example – use of mobile phones), do not live formation after the ordination due to lack of interiorization in the seminary, need for human formation, training for formators, interaction among professors of major seminaries and minor seminaries, evaluation of staff, training for positive interaction and positive use of social media, homilies to be interpretation of gospels and not mere narration of stories, erosion of values in the families, teamwork in the seminaries, negative criticisms against Church authorities.

The Rectors thanked the bishops for their observations and assured them that the directives given will be implemented.

The Major Archbishop thanked Rectors, President and Professors of the seminaries and the Paurastya Vidyāpīṭham for organizing all the activities of the seminaries and the institute in an orderly and
smooth manner amidst the conflicting counter witness situation in the Church and society today. He appreciated the special witnessing role played by the seminaries during the flood. The Major Archbishop then made the following observations:

1. As Jesus had formed the twelve disciples together with his public ministry so the Synod and the entire Church also should be together with the formation of our young candidates in the seminaries.

2. We should be able to identify the root cause of several issues that we find among the seminarians. It has to be remembered that they are living in a special cultural environment that is being developed today. Even Jesus had to face similar situations as he had to train the twelve against the spirit of the world.

3. Gap between the life of the young candidates in the seminary and their life after ordination is to be understood in the context of the culture of the presbyterium of their Eparchy that is being imposed on them.

4. Formation is to be understood in an ecclesial dimension as the task of the whole church – parents, formators, priests and bishops. Against this background we could think about making of vacant and extra spaces available in our seminaries for theological training of the laity where seminarians will be trained along with the people.

5. Synodal commissions for seminaries shall not stop with two formal visits to the seminaries. They are expected to be with the seminaries through periodical dialogues with them.

6. We should think about an international seminary in view of training our seminarians for eparchies outside India according to the Syro-Malabar genius.

7. Ascetic and contemplative dimensions of the formation should be given adequate importance.

8. Directives of the Synod to the seminaries are to be executed through a dialogue process.
The Secretary of the Synod thanked the Rectors of the Seminaries and the President of the Paurastya Vidyāpīṭham.

**Follow up of the Presentation of Reports of the Major Seminaries:**
On the basis of presentation of reports and the intervention by the Bishops, it was decided to request the Seminary Commissions to discuss with the Rectors following topics:

1. Different aspects of finance in the seminary, including allowance of the professors.
2. Promoting use of Baptismal names.
3. Uniformity of vacation for seminaries in Kerala.
4. Involvement of professors in Pastoral and missionary activities.
5. Dress code in seminaries (from Minor Seminary onwards)
6. Participation of all the professors in common prayers.

**Training Programme for Seminary Formators:** As requested by the Synod in a previous session Bishop Thomas Tharayil presented a training programme for the seminary formators. He suggested strengthening the existing centres for the formation of formators by sending candidates to such centres instead of starting a new course or institute. In the discussion that followed, several suggestions came up like the need to introduce mentoring in the seminaries, giving adequate importance to human values in formation, need to standardize procedures for personality assessment of minor seminarians, establishing a separate desk for priestly and religious formation under the Curia Bishop or the Clergy Commission, etc. It was decided to request the Major Archbishop to take necessary steps towards making obligatory 1. One year diploma or two year degree programme for new formators or mentors in the major seminaries, if they have to be made permanent staff members, 2. A seven day programme for the existing staff members who have not attended the above-mentioned diploma or degree programme, and 3. An annual updating programme for all the staff members. It has also been decided to request the clergy commission to conduct short term formation courses for the existing staff members.
Report of the Commission for Liturgy: The Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Francis Pittappilly, the secretary for the commission for Liturgy. After a brief introduction by Bishop Thomas Elavanal MCBS, Chairman of the Commission, Fr. Francis Pittappillil presented the report of the Commission for Liturgy from August 2017-2018. The Commission’s central activity of the reporting year consists of the preparation and publication of the Liturgical texts on behalf of the Bishops of the Synod, with the collaboration of the central Liturgical Committee. In the discussion that followed it was suggested that prayers that could be omitted in the private Mass, confusion caused by the parenthesis with the expression “Filioque” in credo, posture of celebrant’s hands in epiclesis prayer in the Anaphora of Nestorius... etc shall be presented before the Synod after a detailed study by the Commission and arriving at a unanimous decision in the Special Committee. The Major Archbishop expressed thanks to the Chairman and Secretary of the Commission.

Report of the Commission for Catechesis: The secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Jimmy Poochakkatt, the secretary of the Commission for Catechesis who presented the report. Bishop Jacob Manathodath, the Chairman of the Commission informed the Synod that the major works that has been done this year were publication of Catechism text books and starting of smart Catechism and training programmes. In the interventions that followed Bishops expressed their concern about many youngsters not keeping Christian faith in spite of systematic Catechetical instructions we give them. It was suggested that this issue could be addressed by helping them learn, internalize and live the Word of God. The Major Archbishop expressed thanks to the Chairman and secretary of the Commission.

Report of the Commission for the Evangelization and Pastoral Care of the Migrants: The Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Sebastian Muttamthottil MCBS, the secretary of the Commission who presented the report. Bishop Sebastian Vadakel MST referring to the present situation brought to the attention of the Synod the
need for redefining the mission policy of the Church. The Church today has the right to take care of the pastoral care of the faithful in most countries of the world and she can fulfill her Ad Gentes mission responsibilities there under their own Bishops and pastors. After some discussion it was decided to authorize the Commission for Evangelization and Pastoral care of the Migrants to start the process of revision of the mission policy of the Syro- Malabar Church, with the help of an expert committee appointed for the purpose and present the final draft within one year.

Bishop Sebastian Vadakel MST made special reference to the significant role played by our Major Archbishop George Cardinal Alencherry while highlighting the innumerable graces that have been showered upon us by God during the past few years. The Major Archbishop recollected the valuable contributions of his predecessors Antony Cardinal Padiyara who was also the Apostolic Visitator for India and Varkey Cardinal Vithayathil, Apostolic Visitators Bishop Gregory Karotemprel CMI (USA), Bishop Joseph Pallikkaparampil (Europe), Bishop Gratian Mundadan CMI (India), Bishop Raphael Thattil (India), and members of the Commission for Evangelization and Pastoral Care of Migrants, Bishop Sebastian Vadakel MST, Archbishop Mathew Moolakkatt OSB and Bishop Mathew Arackal in making the present status of our Church a reality. He made a special reference to Bishop Sebastian Vadakel MST who as the Chairman of the Commission for the past 10 years, had made significant contributions because of his consciousness of the concept of the Evangelization.

Revision of the Approved List of Marriage Preparation Course Centres: The Major Archiepiscopal Curia has been receiving several queries with regard to the existing list of approved marriage preparation course centres. Bishop Sebastian Vadakel MST, Chairman, Commission for Evangelization and Pastoral Care of Migrants, referring to such queries, clarified that with the new canonical provisions marriage preparation centres are organized
under the supervision of concerned eparchial Bishops. He added that marriage preparation course conducted by the Apostolic Vicariates of Northern and Southern Arabia has been approved by the Commission. Normally the Commission gives its approval to such courses if they are of the duration of three full days and as per the syllabus approved by the Syro-Malabar Church.

**Report of the Commission for Clergy:** The Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Jimmichan Karthanam, the secretary of the Commission for Clergy and invited him to present the report. Bishop Sebastian Adayanthrath briefed the Synod about the activities of the Commission for the year 2017-2018 details of which were presented by the secretary: Get together of Silver and Golden Jubilarians, get together of deacons, interaction with experts on ongoing formation, and ongoing formation programme conducted for Northern Syro-Malabar eparchies. During the intervention by the Bishops, there was a suggestion that the Commission organize inter-eparchial get together of priests in view of removing the distance among the different eparchies and bringing them together emotionally and psychologically. The Major Archbishop thanked the Chairman and the Secretary for their efforts for making the programmes for Clergy meaningful and effective.

**Report of the Commission for the Institutes of Consecrated life and Apostolic Life:** The Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Shabin Karakunnel CST, Secretary of the Commission who presented the report. Bishop Jose Porunnedom pointed out the role played by Consecrated Women and Men in creating a spiritual ambience in the Church. In the discussion that followed a few important issues especially in the case of Consecrated Women like decline in vocation, desire of some of them to leave the Religious life and demand for huge money with the support of their family, dissatisfaction because of lack of recognition (including monetary incentive) of their work were brought to the attention of the Synod. At the end of the discussion, it was decided to request the Commission for
Consecrated Life and Apostolic Life to look into the present crises of the life of the Consecrated men and women on the basis of a scientific study. It was also decided to request the Major Archbishop to instruct the eparchies to give siters who are appointed to help in parishes reasonable allowance.

**Report of the Commission for Doctrine:** The secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Francis Pittappillil, the executive secretary of the commission. In the report presented by Fr. Francis Pittappillil, he made reference to the regional meetings organized by the Commission at Pala, Muvattupuzha and Calicut and publication of the hand book for eschatology “*Yuganthya Deivasastaram*”. Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt intervening in the discussion observed that doctrine is in the hands of each priest. The faithful will live the doctrine as it is taught by the priests. Priests therefore are to be properly educated in this matter. Since there are aberrations, Commission should be aware of its responsibility. Bishop Tony Neelankavil the newly appointed Chairman of the Commission requested the guidance and support of Bishop Kallarangatt in organizing various activities of the Commission. The Major Archbishop appreciated the significant contributions the Commission gives in promoting relevant contextual reflection on Christian faith and suggested to organize an international symposium. The moderator thanked Fr. Francis Pittappillil.

**Report of the Commission for Ecumenism:** The secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Cherian Karukaparambil, secretary of the Commission for Ecumenism who presented the Ecumenical activities undertaken by the Commission in the reporting year like Ecumenical Christmas gatherings, ecumenical Bible Conventions, Unity Octave Prayer, etc. The report gave few suggestions for fostering ecumenical relationships- promotion of prayer for the unity, ecumenical awareness programme for seminarians, clergy and religious, promotion of Ecumenical priests gathering, etc. The Synod appreciated the work of the Commission and thanked the Chairman and the secretary for their dedicated service.
Report of the Commission for Family, Laity and Life: The secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Antony Moolayil, the General Secretary of the Commission for Family, Laity and Life and all other secretaries of the various branches of the Commission: Fr. Joseph Kollakompil (Family Apostolate), Fr. Lawrence Thaikkattil (Kudumbakoottayma), Adv. Jose Vithayathil (Laity Forums), Adv. Tony Punchakunnel (Catholica Congress), Mr. Sabu Jose (Pro-Life Activities) and Mrs. Rosily Paul Thattil (Mathruvedi).

a) Report of Family Apostolate: Fr Joseph Kollakombil, the Secretary, presented the report of Family Apostolate. After giving a brief description of the Family Apostolate, he expressed certain concerns, chief of which is the late marriage culture that is promoted today which may lead to deterioration in moral values of marriage and family. He suggested that this issue could be addressed by promoting marriage from age 21 onwards. He also presented a report of a family survey conducted in the eparchy of Idukki on the impact of Humanae Vitae in our Church. Bishops while appreciating the efforts he took in conducting the survey made reference to the surveys undertaken in some eparchies and suggested that similar surveys may be organized from time to time in view of strengthening moral values of our faithful.

b) Report of Mathruvedi: Mrs. Rosily Paul Thattil, the Secretary, presented the report of Mathruvedi. The main activities of the Mathruvedi in the reporting year were Bodhini (Leadership training classes), Paristithisamrakshanam (Environment protection), Swasrayathwam (Training for self-employment), etc. She made reference to the special participation of the Matruvedi in Orissa-Kandamal Charity Mission Visit together with KCBC Women’s Commission.

c) Report of Kudumbakoottayma (Family Units): Fr. Lawrence Thaikkattil, Director, presented the report of Kudumbakoottayma. In addition to presenting the routine
activities of Kudumbakooottayma, he observed that there is a feeling that priests who are to lead families do not have adequate formation in this matter and suggested that parish priests, especially the young should be given ample training to involve in the family apostolate more creatively. This can be made possible through the ongoing formation of the priests.

d) **Report of Laity Forums:** Adv. Jose Vithayathil, the Secretary, presented the report of Laity Forums. He briefed the Synod about the different Laity Forums like History and Research Forum, Dalit Forum, Science and Technology Forum, Professionals Forum, Agricultural Forum, Media Forum and Entrepreneurs Forum. The activities of the Forums include cooperation with all movements of INFAM and eradication of various problems in agricultural sector, efforts at reinstating reservation of Dalit Christians, making use of the Media to spread Christian moral values, etc.

e) **Report of Pro-Life Activities:** Mr. Sabu Jose, the Secretary, read out the report of the Pro-life Apostolate. He briefed the Synod about the various activities of the Apostolate like conscientization programmes, the proposed get together of the blind and Holy Qurbana in braille language for them during the third week of March 2019 in Mount St. Thomas, etc. While the Church should come strongly against abortion, the parents are to be made aware of the importance of having many children in the family.

f) **Report of Catholica Congress:** Adv. Tony Punchakunnel, Secretary of Catholic Congress read out the report of the year 2017-18. He shared with the Synod the sincere efforts of Catholica Congress during the crisis that the Church had recently when the Church leadership was attacked, when the sacrament of confession was made a topic of ridicule by the Media, etc. He suggested that persons who think and work along with the Church and are acceptable to the general public should
be considered while nominating to different bodies and the Church leadership should encourage the efforts of the Catholica Congress in resolving problems connected with agriculture.

g) **Report by the General Secretary:** Fr. Antony Moolayil, the General Secretary of the Commission, winding up the presentation and discussion, made the following suggestions:

1. To constitute eparchial commission of Family, Laity and Life (a miniature form of the central commission).
2. To communicate instantly the Church news, responses and even crises at least to the lay leaders of the Church.
3. To organize a session during the Synod with a view to listen to the eparchial pastoral council secretaries and other lay representatives.
4. To constitute a think-tank of moral theologians, advocates, doctors, etc. in order to defend and respond when there are issues related to family, marriage and life.
5. To find out different realms of accompaniment dreamed by Pope Francis to the wounded and those living in difficult situations like homosexuals, cohabiters, divorced, those who keep aloof from the Church, those who lament about injustice done to them, etc.

In the discussion that followed it was clarified that the activities of the Media Forum should be under the supervision of the Media Commission. There was a general feeling that the time allotted for the presentation and discussion of the activities of this commission was too insufficient. Bishop Mathew Arackal, Chairman of the Commission, while making reference to the genesis of the commission under the inspiration of the Late Varkey Cardinal Vithayathil, thanked all his team members and wished all the best to the new Chairman, Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt. Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt sought the guidance of Bishop Mathew Arackal in planning and executing various activities of the Commission. The Major Archbishop thanked the Chairman, Members and Secretaries of the Commission.
Proposal of the Commission for Family, Laity and Life: Bishop Jose Pulickal, Member, Commission for Family, Laity and Life, brought to the attention of the Synod the proposals which the members of the Commission for Family, Laity and Life had placed for the consideration of the Synod in a previous sitting of the current session. After a brief discussion, it was decided to request the Major Archbishop to instruct all the eparchies to implement following proposals of the Commission: 1. To constitute diocesan commission for Family, Laity and Life (a miniature form of the central commission), 2. To form a central council of pastoral council secretaries and organize a session during the Synod to listen to them, and 3. To constitute a Think Tank of moral theologians, advocates, doctors, etc. under the leadership of the Commission to defend and respond when there are issues related to family, marriage and life.

Report of the Commission for Youth: The Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Roby Joseph Alencherry, the Secretary of the Commission who read out the report of Commission for Youth. After highlighting the important events, he proposed an Assembly of the Youth in continuation of the Synod of Youth in Rome. The Major Archbishop suggested to organize Youth Assembly at regional levels: Region outside India, North Indian region and South Indian Region. In this connection Bishop Joseph Pandarasseri, the Chairman, requested the Synod to help the Commission identify source of finance to take up its various activities. In the discussion that followed it was decided to request all the Archeparchies and eparchies to contribute 10,000.00 each during this year for the functioning of the Youth Commission and SMYM. There was also a suggestion regarding constitution of Youth Council (in line with the Pastoral Council) in our eparchies with a view to taking our youth as the stakeholders of our Church. The Moderator thanked Fr. Roby Joseph Alencherry.

Report of the Commission for Vocation: The secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Sebastian Muttamthottil MCBS who read out the
report. The activities mainly consisted of the Vocation Promoters meet and Training Programme for Vocation Promoters. With regard to the resistance of some people in the admission of the candidates to priesthood and consecrated life, it was suggested that such issues are to be addressed by establishing personal contacts with the people concerned.

Modification of Statutes of the Cherupushpa Mission League (CML): The Cherupushpa Mission League is now under the patronage of the Syro-Malabar Synod and in Kerala it functions under the guidance of KCBC. Since the Commission for Vocation is entrusted with the task of guiding CML, it helped the CML modify its statutes to fit into the new system. Fr. Sebastian Muttamthottil MCBS, the secretary of Commission for Vocation presented before the Synod the modifications suggested for the statutes. After a brief discussion it was decided to approve the statutes of CML with the suggested modifications.

Guidelines for Vocation Promotion: Fr. Sebastian Muttamthottil MCBS, Secretary of the Commission for Vocation presented before the Synod the guidelines for Vocation Promotion. The Commission for Vocation had presented to the Synod the first draft in August 2017. As suggested by the Synod, these guidelines were scrutinized by a committee which suggested a few modifications. The second draft of the guidelines had been presented to the Synod in January 2018. The Synod made some observations and suggestions and asked the Commission to fine tune the guidelines and present it in the next Synod. The draft was given to the bishops, seminary Rectors, Major Superiors, Vocation Promoters and other experts. Incorporating their suggestions the Commission prepared the final draft which has been presented before the Synod for its approval. After a brief discussion it was decided to give approval to the Guidelines for Vocation Promotion. The Major Archbishop thanked the Chairman and Secretary of Commission for Vocation for keeping the activities of the Commission always alive.
Report of the Committee for Major Archiepiscopal Assembly:
Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Sebastian Muttamthottil MCBS, Secretary of the Committee for the Follow up Programmes of the Major Archiepiscopal Assembly and invited him to present the report. After presenting a report with regard to the implementation of 10 proposals of the Assembly by the eparchies, he placed before the Synod second set of 10 proposals for its consideration:

1 Conscientization programmes and retreats shall be conducted to all those who come into leadership roles in the Church like *Kaikars*, Altar servers, Catechism Teachers, Office bearers of Family Units, etc.

2 Bureaucratic attitude should be avoided in Church-related administrative matters. Offices should keep a pastoral mindset and make themselves accessible to people.

3 Courteous words and approaches should come from priests and religious in their dealings with people, especially the youth.

4 For environmental protection, clean parish or campus projects should be implemented.

5 Help Desks are to be established to inform the young people of the various job opportunities as well as to help the deserving to receive subsidies from the Government.

6 It is highly deplorable that the marginalized in our society are undergoing great hardships and have become victims of violence. We have to come out in support of Dalits, women, children and religious minorities. We have to work hard to secure their due rights from the Government.

7 Missionaries should be invited to our parishes and eparchies to share their experiences and to obtain support for their missionary endeavours.

8 Parish feasts should become a common celebration and the tradition of entrusting the celebration to a single individual or family should be discouraged.
Priests and the religious have to strive hard to accompany the faithful who are experiencing great crisis on account of their failed marriages and help them to lead a good family life. Select and train the successful couple to help in such pastoral ministries for families.

Institutes of consecrated life in the Syro-Malabar Church shall establish their houses and provinces in migrant places. Even though they have established in Latin rite dioceses, they have to be celebrating their liturgy according to the Syro-Malabar rite in their houses and convents.

After a discussion in which several Bishops participated it was decided to request the Major Archbishop to instruct all the eparchies and Institutes consecrated life for men and women to implement the second set of 10 proposals of the fourth Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Assembly presented by the Committee for the Follow up Programmes.

**Major Archiepiscopal Assembly 2021:** Bishop Pauly Kannookadan, Convener, Committee for Major Archiepiscopal Assembly, brought to the attention of the Synod the need to finalize venue, topic, and constitution of the committee for the conduct of the Major Archiepiscopal Assembly 2021. After a brief discussion it was decided to request the Permanent Synod to suggest venue, committee and topic for the fifth Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Assembly and present it in the second session of XXVII Synod (2019) Session 2, August 2019.

**Amendments of the Statutes of the Major Archiepiscopal Assembly:** Archbishop Kuriakose Bharanikulangara presented before the Synod suggestions for updating the statutes of the Major Archiepiscopal Assembly given in the particular law of the Syro-Malabar Church regarding the number of participants from priests, religious and laity. After a discussion it was decided to request the Committee for Canonical Questions, to propose amendments to the statutes of the Assembly, in collaboration with Bishop Pauly.
Kannookadan, taking into consideration the provisions of CCEO, Particular Law of the Syro-Malabar Church and the changes that have taken place in the society and the church over the years and present them in the following session of the Synod.

**Report of LRC:** Secretary of the Synod, Bishop Antony Kariyl CMI welcomed Fr. Peter Kannampuzha, Executive Director, LRC and invited him to present the report of LRC. Fr. Kannampuzha presented the principal activities of LRC, namely, research seminars, publications, St. Thomas Christian Museum, Mar w-alah Syriac Academy and new projects, especially the construction of the St Thomas Heritage and Research Centre. Bishop Pauly Kannookadan, Chairman, LRC requested the Bishops to encourage the LRC activities and promote visit to our Museum by families, catechism students, etc. This, he said, will foster close contact of our people with the Major Archiepiscopal Curia. He also sought more subscriptions to our Journal—*Thomas Christian Heritage* and other publications. As Fr. Peter Kannampuzha is completing his term, the Major Archbishop thanked him for his committed service in the LRC and wished him all the best in his future ministry. Fr. Peter in his reply thanked the Major Archbishop and all the Bishops for the cooperation and good will they have been extending to him.

**Report of the Public Affairs Committee:** The Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr George Madathiparampil, Secretary of the Committee for Public Affairs. In his report Fr. George made reference to some of the issues that should have been handled within the Church but were brought out to the public view and were used to tarnish the entire Church. Local issues were projected as common issues of the Church. He suggested that bold initiatives are needed as we have been made passive listeners to the distorted presentation of the Church. The Moderator thanked Fr. George Madathiparampil.

**Report of the Committee for Higher Education:** The Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr George Madathiparampil, Secretary of the Committee for Higher Education, who presented the report of its
activities. In the report he made reference to several meetings of Managers, Principals, Teachers, Student Leaders and those in charge of Campus Ministry. All such meetings focused on the need to strengthen the Catholic commitment of our colleges. Some of our colleges have attained the status of autonomy and more than 10 catholic colleges were placed in the list of first 100 colleges of the country. While taking pride in these, we should remember some of the shortcomings of our colleges like their inadequacy of Catholic atmosphere in the campus. The Moderator thanked the Secretary.

**Report of the Committee for School Education:** The Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr Jose Karivelickal, Secretary of the Committee for School Education, who presented the report. He highlighted some of the problems that our schools are facing today like delay in the approval of the appointment of teachers by the Government, not considering subdivisions in the community quota, steps being taken by the Government to give the right of appointment in all Aided Schools to the PSC, etc. In the discussion that followed Archbishop Andrews Thazhath suggested that we should stand together in getting these issues resolved by the Government. If necessary we should have recourse to the courts and all of us should come forward to bear the court expenses. The Moderator thanked the Secretary.

**Media:** Bishop Jose Porunnedom suggested the following Media strategy for the Church which could be used by our eparchies: 1. Mobile App of the Syro-Malabar Church 2. Face Book Page/Whats App 3. Online News Channel. He suggested that each eparchy appoint a Media Director (preferably a priest) and two or three dedicated persons (preferably below 25) to activate the Media strategy.

**Presentation of Report of the Meeting of the Media:** Archbishop Andrews Thazhath presented a brief report about the meeting of PROs, Public Affairs Committee, Media Forum, Representatives of SMCIM, SMYM and Catholic Congress held on 9 November 2018.
This meeting was an effort to revamp our activities in the Media, including the social media. In the present scenario the Media has taken up a very important role. The Church should not be inactive; it has to make use of the Media and assert ourselves as the strongest Church in Kerala. In the discussion that followed, several Bishops participated. Some of the highlights of the discussion are as follows:

1. There appears to be a media war against the Church and its leadership on the basis of a planned agenda in which those who hate the Church also actively participate.

2. We fail to expose the shallowness of these allegations and defend the Church by presenting and explaining the truth to the public.

3. We should have dedicated persons who will be able to give timely and effective response to the attacks made against the Church.

4. Mobile app needed to transmit our messages with great speed to the whole church and to every faithful.

5. A well-furnished office with a person in-charge who can be a priest and other supporting lay staff with networking with eparchial PROs and ably assisted by a think-tank and content makers and a legal cell working in collaboration with the KCBC and the CBCI.

6. Friendly relationship with media persons to be promoted through informal gatherings.

7. A well-furnished studio with video conferencing facility at Mount St. Thomas to make quick and easy communication and intervention in the Media possible.

After interventions by the Bishops, it was decided to request the Major Archbishop to constitute a Media Commission.

**Action against Cyber Crimes:** In continuation with the discussion the Synod had in a previous sitting about the media war against the Church and its leadership, it was decided to authorize the Curia
Bishop to take necessary steps, in consultation with the Internet Mission and the Media Commission, towards filing cases with civil authorities regarding false propaganda against the Church and to disown individuals and organizations who claim themselves to be representatives of the Church and damage the good name of the Church. It was also decided to request the Media Commission to give a press release at the earliest about the above-mentioned situation and the church’s action in this regard.

**Report of the Public Relations Office (PRO):** Fr. Jimmy Poochakkatt, the spokesperson of the Syro-Malabar Church, presented our external public relations activity as part of our communication strategies: Syro-Malabar News Mobile App, Whatsapp; Syro-Malabar PRO, E-Mail: syromalabarpro@gmail.com; Mobile phone group, Press release and Press briefs, Channel discussions, Press Conferences, Face Book; Syro-Malabar PRO and a private and unspecified group to propagate our news. In the discussion that followed the Major Archbishop clarified that with the constitution of the media commission, communication with the media will hereafter be supervised by the media commission. The Major Archbishop appreciated the service of the PRO and thanked him in the name of the Synod.

**Syro-Malabar Internet Mission:** The Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Joby Maprakavil MST, the Executive Director of SMCIM. Bishop Jose Porunndom informed the Synod that the main works of the reporting year were Web designing, Software development, Mobile app development, Matrimony Net work, YOU Tube Channel, Small media productions, Photography, Videography, Social Media Management, Data base Management, Web Portal Management... etc details of which were presented by the secretary with the help of the power point. During the discussion, Fr. Joby suggested to appoint a full time Internet Mission Director in eparchies (at least a regent or a staff) to complete the data collection. The Major Archbishop thanked Bishop Jose Porunndom for his efficient
leadership which has brought the Internet Mission to its present heights and expressed his gratitude to Fr. Joby Maparakavil MST for his dedicated service.

Report of the Sro-Malabar Mission: The secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Kuriakose Azhakath MST, secretary cum Treasurer of SyMM who presented the major programmes of the SyMM with the help of the power point: Celebration of the Preshithavaram, sponsor a missionary seminarian, a missionary sister and a missionary kit, get together of the benefactors, publication of the magazine “Mission Support”, etc. Bishop Raphael Thattil requested the wholehearted support of all the Bishops in its activities. The Major Archbishop appreciated the service of Bishop Raphael Thattil, Fr. Kuriakose Azhakath and their team.

Report of Syro-Malabar Dalit Vikas Society: The Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Kuriakose Azhakath MST, Secretary and Mr. George Jacob, Vice-President, of the Syro-Malabar Dalit Vikas Society (SDVS). It was established in January 2017 under the initiative of Bishop emeritus Gregory Karotemprel CMI, with the aim of helping at least ten Dalit students per year from eparchies of proper territory to do higher studies in medicine, engineering, MBA, MCA, etc. After presenting the financial status and details of beneficiaries of the reporting year, the secretary suggested to reserve a particular percentage of jobs to the Dalit Christians in all our institutions, to identify and promote sponsors who can support the academic expense of the Dalit students and entrust each parish the task of identifying at least five families who can support the SDVS. The Major Archbishop and the Bishops who intervened in the discussion appreciated the committed service of Mr. George Jacob in the SDVS. The moderator thanked Fr. Kuriakose Azhakath and Mr. George Jacob.

Report of SPANDAN: The Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Michael Vettikkatt, the Chief Coordinator, to present the report of SPANDAN, Syro-Malabar Social Development Network. Bishop
Mathew Arackal, the Chairman, while articulating the aims and objectives of SPANDAN informed the Synod that SPANDAN works as a coordinating agency of social welfare activities of our church. Fr. Michael in his report presented the details of the interventions of our Church in Okhi and flood disasters. Bishop Mathew Arackal made reference to the social ministry award and thanked the Chicago Syro-Malabar Eparchy who had donated Rupees 1,89,000 towards organizing this award. The Major Archbishop thanked the Chairman, members and the chief coordinator for the efforts they are taking for the growth of SPANDAN.

**Report of the Major Archiepiscopal Tribunal:** The Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Thomas Adopillil, the Acting President of the Major Archiepiscopal Tribunal and invited him to present the report. Fr. Adopillil informed the Synod that he is presenting the report on behalf of the President, Fr. Jose Chiramel who could not attend today’s meeting because of his ill health. In his presentation Fr. Adopillil highlighted the various activities of the Tribunal and requested the Bishops to promote the distribution of *Eastern Legal Thought* among members of the eparchial tribunal by purchasing sufficient copies. In the discussion that followed there was a reference to the handing over of the responsibility of publishing *Eastern Legal Thought* to the Institute of Eastern Canon Law at *Paurastya Vidyāpitham*. As a decision has not been arrived at regarding this even with several meetings, it was decided to request the Curia Bishop to convene a joint meeting of representatives of the Institute of Eastern Canon Law at *Paurastya Vidyāpitham* and the Major Archiepiscopal Tribunal to submit its suggestion regarding publication of *Eastern Legal Thought* to the Permanent Synod. The Moderator thanked Fr. Adopillil.

**Report of the activities of the Curia:** Fr. Antony Kollannur, the Major Archiepiscopal Chancellor made a power point presentation of the various activities of the curia, visits of the important guests to curia, and main programmes of the Major Archbishop, in and outside
India. As Fr. Antony Kollannur is completing his three terms, the Major Archbishop recollected his service for the last fifteen years. Fr. Antony had been able to tide over the problems connected with his serious ill health and has been serving the curia as its chancellor with full commitment and dedication. While thanking Fr. Antony for whatever he had been to the curia for the last fifteen years, the Major Archbishop wished him all the best in his ministry in the Archeparchy of Trichur. Bishop Sebastian Vaniyapurackal, the Curia Bishop, also thanked Fr. Antony on behalf of the Curia. Fr. Antony Kollannur thanked the Bishops for the cooperation and goodwill they have been extending to him during the last 15 years.

**Financial Report of the Curia:** The Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Mathew Pulimoottil, the finance officer who presented the statement of accounts of receipts and payments from 1.4.2017 to 31.3.2018. He also presented before the Synod details of the fund collected for flood relief. After a brief discussion, it was decided to give an amount of Rupees 1,13,05,294 towards Chief Minister’s Flood Relief Fund in addition to Rupees 50 lakhs which had already been given through the KCBC and distribute the remaining amount of 2,21,24,858.46 among the Archeparchies of Ernakulam- Angamaly and Changanacherry and the eparchies of Idukki, Irinjalakuda, Mananthavady, Thamarassery and Kanjirappally as per the intention of the donors for flood relief. As Fr. Mathew Pulimoottil is completing his two terms as finance officer of the Curia, the Major Archbishop, Bishop Mathew Arackal, Chairman Finance Commission and Bishop Sebastian Vaniyapurackal expressed sincere appreciation and gratitude for his committed service for the last ten years and wished him all the best in his ministry in the eparchy of Thamarassery. Fr. Mathew thanked the Bishops for the cooperation and goodwill they have been extending to him during the last 10 years.

**Fundraising for the Major Archiepiscopal Curia:** The Curia Bishop proposed the idea of finding a few sponsors from each parish of our
eparchies to contribute to the running of the Major Archiepiscopal Curia. He said he will do the coordination in this regard and the Synod agreed to his proposal.

The Curia Bishop drew the attention of the Synod to previous decision to convene a meeting of Rectors, Vicars and 

*Kaikars* of Pilgrim Centres and Churches which are financially sound and to appeal to them to contribute annually towards meeting the expenses of the Curia. He also said that the Bishops have already given the names of such 50 pilgrim centres and the above-mentioned meeting will be convened at the earliest.

**Recommendation of the Major Archbishop for Projects:** The Major Archbishop wanted to know the mind of the Synod regarding the procedure to be followed when religious congregations approach with the request to recommend their proposals for financial assistance to the funding agencies of the Church. During the discussion that followed, the Bishops suggested that such requests are to be routed through the Bishop concerned. An understanding was arrived at that project proposals to the RUACO will be only for the common projects of the Church and submitted by the Major Archbishop. Hence it was decided to request Bishop Jose Porunnedom, Chairman, Commission for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life, to inform the SMRC that all the proposals for financial assistance to the funding agencies of the Church which require the recommendation of the Major Archbishop are to be forwarded with the recommendation of the Bishop of the eparchy concerned.

**Apostolic Visitation in Europe:** Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Cherian Varicatt, Coordinator General and Finance Manager for the Apostolic Visitator for Syro-Malabar faithful in Europe, and invited him to present report about the Apostolic Visitation in Europe. He shared with the Synod through a power point presentation the developments that have taken place in Europe ever since we started
activities of Apostolic Visitation under the able leadership of Bishop Stephen Chirappanath. He brought to the attention of the Synod also a few challenges the visitation is facing today: Locating Faithful, Collecting data of priests/ brothers/ sisters, Finding dedicated priests for service, Difficulty in getting placed a priest in a Diocese, etc. The Major Archbishop and the Bishops appreciated the sincere efforts of Bishop Stephen Chirappanath, Fr. Cherian Varicatt and their team. The Moderator thanked Fr. Varicatt.

**Report of the Procura:** Bishop Stephen Chirappanath presented before the Synod a brief report of the Procura in Rome. As the construction work is almost over, he invited all the Bishops to attend the inauguration of the Procura which is expected to be held during our *ad limina* visit. Referring to the generous contribution by the eparchies towards the construction of the Procura, he thanked all the Bishops and invited them to visit Procura and if necessary stay there during their visit to Rome. The Bishops congratulated Bishop Stephen and his team for making the concept of Procura in Rome a reality within a very short time.

**Inviting the Holy Father to the Inauguration of Procura in Rome:** There was a suggestion to invite the Holy Father to the inauguration of Procura in Rome. Decision in this regard will be taken by the Major Archbishop in consultation with the Permanent Synod.

**Ad limina Visit to Rome:** Bishop Stephen Chirappanath gave a briefing about *ad limina* visit to Rome. He brought to the attention of the Synod that this year’s *ad limina* visit coincides with the canonization of Bl. Mariam Thresia, Blessing of Procura in Rome and Silver Jubilee of the Syro-Malabar parish in Rome. He gave a tentative plan of all these events. The Bishops made a few suggestions about their participation details of which will be decided in the following Session of the Synod.

**New Way of Presenting Commission Reports:** The Curia Bishop proposed a new way of presenting commission reports. He said that the secretaries could be requested to submit their reports
towards the end of July every year and they could be printed in a book form. The highlights of the reports could be shown in power point presentation instead of each secretary reading them individually. However, all the secretaries should be asked to be present on the stage to introduce themselves and give clarifications to the doubts and questions. The Pastoral Council secretaries also are to be invited to share their views about the Church and society. This way the voice of the laity will be heard better in the Synod.

In the interventions that followed Bishops opined that the presentation of the reports by individual commission secretaries is an occasion for the Synod to interact in a better way with each commission. However, it was proposed that the report of the commission for Family, Laity and Life could be presented separately allotting them more time for discussions and clarifications.

The Major Archbishop said in his intervention to ask the secretaries to bring a summary of the report in one or two pages and present it for 10 minutes. Moreover, they should also suggest a few points to facilitate the discussions.

There arose also another proposal of preparing a format to help the secretaries in submitting the report in a systematic way.

**Press Release from the Synod:** The Major Archbishop while thanking Archbishop Mathew Moolakkatt OSB, Bishop Sebastian Adayanthrath and Bishop Raphael Thattil for their service in preparing Press Release to the media, clarified that with the constitution of the Media Commission, Press Release from the Synod hereafter will be given to the media under the supervision of the Media Commission.

**Circular of the Major Archbishop:** Bishop Joseph Pamplany, Chairman, Media Commission presented draft of the Major Archbishop’s circular to be read out in all the parishes and institutions have Sunday Holy *Qurbana* for the people regarding the
important decisions of the Synod. After a few modifications, the Synod approved it.

**Schedule of the Forthcoming Synodal Sessions:**

1. 10.00 am August 19 to 06.00 pm August 30, 2019 – Synodal Sittings
2. 10.00 am January 07 to 06.00 pm January 09, 2020 – Retreat
   09.00 am January 10 to 06.00 pm January 15, 2020 – Synodal Sittings
3. 10.00 am August 17 to 06.00 pm August 28, 2020 – Synodal Sittings

**Scrutiny of Decisions of the XXVII (2019), Session I:** The Synod made a scrutiny of the decisions of XXVII (2019), Session I, including the decisions of the final day and the Synod gave its final approval for them.

**Conclusion of the Synod:** The Major Archbishop sought the permission of the Synod to conclude the present session and gave the concluding address. He thanked God for the special assistance he gave during this session to find ways and means towards solving the difficult problems that had come up during the past one year in the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly seriously affecting the image of the Church as a whole. He made reference to the advances the Synod could make in the fields of liturgy, priestly formation evangelization and formation of a new commission: the media commission. He appreciated the presence of his Excellency Giambattista Diquattro, the Apostolic Nuncio for his address to the Synod and availability to meet the Bishops individually. He reminded that the newly established ecclesiastical realities both within India and abroad should be our primary concern in the years to come. The Major Archbishop reminded the duty of seminary commissions and the clergy commission of working together in view of bringing out priests with their ecclesial commitment. He expressed his satisfaction about the vigour and vitality that the Bishops were
able to find in this session, getting over the slow pace of the life of the Church created by the flood in Kerala and the cancelation of August 2018 Synod. The Major Archbishop requested the Bishops to join him in thanking the Apostolic See for the all the provisions that have been granted to us to experience almost fully our *sui iuris* ecclesial reality. He congratulated Bishop Anthony Chirayath who was just stepped into the Sacerdotal Golden Jubilee Year and Bishop Jacob Muricken and Bishop Tony Neelankavil who have completed their sacerdotal Silver Jubilee celebrations. The Major Archbishop mentioned the names of Fr. Antony Kollannur, the Chancellor, Fr. Mathew Pulimoottil, the Finance Officer, Fr. Peter Kannampuzha, the Executive Director LRC and Fr. Paul Robin Thekkath, the former Vice-Chancellor II who are completing the term of Office and taking up other ministries in the Church. He remembered with gratitude all of them for their valuable contribution towards the functioning of the Synod and the growth of the Church. He thanked all who have helped to conduct the Synod in a fruitful and effective manner. Invoking God’s blessings up on our Church, the Major Archbishop declared the XXVII Synod of the Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church Session I closed.

Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI, Secretary
Synod of Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church

Fr. Antony Kollannur
Major Archiepiscopal Chancellor
1. To fix the upper age limit of SMYM candidates contesting during the coming KCYM elections as 35 as a special case, taking into consideration the mind of the youth and the relaxation of upper age-limit by the KCBC fixing it as 35 till 2020-21.

2. To grant favourable opinion to initiate the cause of Msgr. Joseph Kandathil.

3. To grant favourable opinion to initiate the cause of Fr. Varkey Kattarath VC.

4. To request Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt to constitute a committee as per the Guidelines approved in the Synod of 2008 and submit its findings before the Synod regarding the cause of Fr. Bruno Kaniarakath CMI and Sr. Mary Collethama FCC.

5. To request Archbishop Kuriakose Bharanikulangara to constitute a committee as per the Guidelines approved in the Synod 2008 and submit its findings before the Synod regarding the cause of Sr. Fidelis Thaliyath SD.

6. To request the Major Archbishop to give direction to the eparchies to constitute Safe Environment Committee and appoint a Safe Environment Director.

7. To make necessary adaptations in the Guidelines of the KCBC on Safe Environment Programme and promulgate it for the use of our Church personnel.
8 To request Bishop Sebastian Vaniyapurackal, the Curia Bishop, to organize training programme for Church personnel based on the Guidelines for Safe Environment Programme.

9 To request the Major Archbishop to give direction to all our eparchies to institute Grievance Redressal Cells.

10 To request the Seminary Commissions to discuss with the Rectors following topics:
   1 Different aspects of finance in the seminary, including allowance of the professors.
   2 Baptismal names to be used by the seminarians.
   3 Uniformity of vacation for seminaries in Kerala.
   4 Involvement of professors in Pastoral and missionary activities.
   5 Dress code in seminaries (from Minor Seminary onwards)
   6 Participation of all the professors in common prayers.

11 To request the Major Archbishop to constitute a Media Commission.

12 To request the Major Archbishop to give direction in a pastoral letter to our Bishops and priests regarding the need of getting mandate/letters from respective eparchies for celebration of sacraments in their home parishes.

13 To request the Major Archbishop to take necessary steps towards making obligatory 1. One year diploma or two year degree programme for new formators or mentors in the major seminaries, if they have to be made permanent staff members, 2. A seven day programme for the existing staff members who have not attended the above-mentioned diploma or degree programme, and 3. An annual updating programme for all the staff members.
14 To request the clergy commission to conduct short term formation courses for the existing staff members of Seminaries.

15 To request the Committee for Canonical Questions, to propose amendments to the statutes of the Assembly, in collaboration with Bishop Pauly Kannookadan, taking into consideration the provisions of CCEO, Particular Law of the Syro-Malabar Church and the changes that have taken place in the society and the church over the years and present them in the following session of the Synod.

16 To extend the approval of the bylaws of SMYM for another term of three years.

17 To give approval to the convention of the youth population of the four eparchies outside India and the Apostolic Visitation in Europe and New Zealand.

18 To authorize the Curia Bishop to take necessary steps, in consultation with the Internet Mission and the Media Commission, towards filing cases with civil authorities regarding false propaganda against the Church and to disown individuals and organizations who claim themselves to be representatives of the Church and damage the good name of the Church.

19 To request the Major Archbishop to entrust the permanent synod with the task of identifying an appropriate topic for the consideration of the synod which is to be discussed with representatives of priests, religious and laity for one full day of the synod.

20 To entrust the Clergy Commission to organize separate meetings of Silver and Golden Jubilarians.

21 To give approval to the titles of 1. Preshithatharam for missionaries, 2. Samoohya Prathibha for social workers, to priests, religious and laity and 3. Archpriest to the Vicar of every Major Archiepiscopal Pilgrim Centre.
22 To confer *Sabhatharam* on Prof. Mathew Ulakamthara and *Vaidikaratnam* on Fr. George Oliappuram.

23 Those parts of the Holy *Qurbana* which require further study and reformulation shall be presented before the Synod after a detailed study by the Commission for Liturgy and arriving at a unanimous decision in the Special Committee.

24 To entrust a Committee consisting of the Members of the Clergy Commission and Chairmen of Seminary Commissions with the Chairman of the Clergy Commission as the Coordinator, to take necessary steps to discuss in the following session of the Synod the theme of formation of priests and seminarians from three angles: clericalism, safe-environment and missionary orientation.

25 To give an amount of Rupees 1,13,05,294 towards Chief Minister’s Flood Relief Fund in addition to Rupees 50 lakhs which had already been given through the KCBC and distribute the remaining amount of 2, 21, 24, 858.46 among the Archeparchies of Ernakulam- Angamaly and Changanacherry and the eparchies of Idukki, Irinjalakuda, Mananthavady, Thamarassery and Kanjirappally as per the intention of the donors towards flood relief.

26 To approve the statutes of CML with the suggested modifications.

27 To give approval to the Guidelines for Commission for Vocation.

28 To entrust the Commission for Consecrated Life and Apostolic Life to look into the present crises of the life of the Consecrated men and women on the basis of a scientific study.

29 To request the Major Archbishop to instruct the eparchies to give sisters who are appointed to help in parishes adequate allowance.

30 To authorize the Commission for Evangelization and Pastoral care of the Migrants to start the process of revision of the
mission policy of the Syro- Malabar Church, with the help of an expert committee appointed for the purpose and present the final draft within one year.

31 To request the Curia Bishop to convene a joint meeting of representatives of the Institute of Eastern Canon Law at Paurastya Vidyapitham and the Major Archiepiscopal Tribunal to submit its suggestion regarding publication of Eastern Legal Thought to the Permanent Synod.

32 To instruct eparchies and Institutes consecrated life for men and women to implement the second set of 10 proposals of the fourth Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Assembly presented by the Committee for the Follow up Programmes.

33 To request the permanent Synod to suggest venue, committee and topic for the fifth Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Assembly and present it in the second session of XXVII Synod (2019) Session 2, August 2019.

34 To request the Major Archbishop to instruct all the Eparchies to implement following proposals of the Commission Family, Laity and Life: 1. To constitute diocesan commission for Family, Laity and Life (a miniature form of the central commission), 2. To form a central council of pastoral council secretaries and organize a session during the Synod to listen to them, and 3. To constitute a think tank of moral theologians, advocates, doctors, etc. under the leadership of the Commission to defend and respond when there are issues related to family, marriage and life.

35 To request the Major Archbishop to make a representation to the Holy Father regarding the interpretation of bi-ritualism which may create confusion, judicial anomaly and anarchy with the signature of all the Bishops.

36 To request the Major Archbishop to make a representation to the Chief Minister of Kerala requesting him to write off the debts of farmers.
37 To hold the Forthcoming Synodal Sessions:
10.00 am August 19 to 06.00 pm August 30, 2019 – Synodal Sittings
10.00 am January 07 to 06.00 pm January 09, 2020 – Retreat
09.00 am January 10 to 06.00 pm January 15, 2020 – Synodal Sittings
10.00 am August 17 to 06.00 pm August 28, 2020 – Synodal Sittings

Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI,
Secretary  Synod of Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church

Fr. Antony Kollannur
Major Archiepiscopal Chancellor
My dear Brother Archbishops and Bishops,
Praise be to Jesus Christ!

The Synod has come to a close! Let us thank the Lord for the special assistance that He has given us during this session especially to find ways and means towards solving the difficult problems that arose during the past one year in the Archdiocese of Ernakulam-Angamaly seriously affecting the image of the Church as a whole. Through prayerful reflections and intercessory prayers before the Holy Eucharist by the grace of God functioning of the Synod proved to be an experience of reconciliation and peace. The line of action taken by the synod to solve the problems may be followed up faithfully, gradually establishing greater peace and harmony in the hearts and minds of everyone concerned.

During this Synod we could make advances in the field of liturgical renewal, priestly formation and the evangelization mission of the church. The formation of Media Commission will be highly helpful to have an effective use of the media avoiding the negative forces prevalent in this field.

The presence of His Excellency Giambattista Diquattro, the Apostolic Nuncio and his address to the Synod proved helpful to foster further the spirit of communion in our church and with the other sui iuris churches. It is to be highly appreciated that His Excellency could find time to meet the Bishops individually and give his responses and guidance for their pastoral ministry. Let us thank His Excellency the Apostolic Nuncio for his concern and love towards our Church.
It is remarkable that the various commissions, committees and other organs of the Synod are functioning properly promoting the growth of the church. The extraordinary enthusiasm found in the newly established ecclesiastical realities both within India and abroad is highly encouraging. The Bishops, Priests and the Laity are in great unity working hard for the missionary and pastoral life in the new Eparchies and Apostolic Visitations. Let us offer greater support for their endeavours! A new evangelization drive all throughout India should be our primary concern in the years to come.

The time we spent for greater effectiveness of the formation programmes of priests and consecrated persons have proved worthwhile. The Seminary Commissions and the Clergy Commission have to work together to devise new ways for bringing out priests with more spiritual and ecclesial commitment. The unity of Priesthood of priests together with the Bishops only can give a fruitful witnessing priestly ministry for the Laity in the church. This Synodal session has helped us find new vigour and vitality for all the Bishops, getting over the slow pace of the life of the church created by the flood in Kerala and the cancellation of the August 2018 Synod. This new strength and enthusiasm that we have gained should be translated into the life of our eparchies and missionary activities.

Let us have confidence in the Lord and be guided by His spirit in all our endeavours and let communion be our concern in life and ministry within the Syro-Malabar Church and with other sui iuris Churches in the universal communion. Let us thank the Apostolic See for all the provisions granted to us helping to us experience almost fully our sui iuris ecclesial reality.

Even if is the final day of the Synod, let me place on record our hearty congratulations and prayerful wishes to Bishop Anthony Chirayath who has just stepped into the Sacerdotal Golden Jubilee year and Bishop Jacob Muricken and Bishop Tony Neelankavil who have completed their Sacerdotal Silver Jubilee celebrations.

I would like to mention the names of Fr Antony Kollannur, the Chancellor, Fr Mathew Pulimoottil, the Finance Officer, and Fr Peter
Kannampuzha, Executive Director, LRC, and the CSN Sisters who will be leaving the Major Archiepiscopal Curia after completing their terms of service to other ministries in the Church. Along with them is to be remembered Fr Robin Paul Thekkath, the former Vice Chancellor II, who has terminated his service in July 2018 to pursue higher studies in Rome. They have contributed much for the functioning of the Synod and the growth of the Church to a great extent. May the Lord reward them for the service here in the curia and grant them His choicest blessings for their future ministry and service in the Vineyard of the Lord!

I thank Bishop Raphael Thattil and Bishop Remigiose Inchananiyil who have beautifully moderated the proceedings of this Session of the Synod. I also thank Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI, the Synodal Secretary and Fr Vincent Cheruvathoor, the Vice Chancellor of the Curia who worked untiringly day and night for the good conduct of the Synod, especially to prepare the minutes of the Synod. Thanks are also due to the Secretaries of various Commissions, the CSN Sisters and other members of the Staff and their helpers who serve at the Major Archiepiscopal Curia. The next Synodal Session is scheduled from 10.00 a.m. on Monday 19 August 2019 to 06.00 p.m. on Friday 30 August 2019.

While thanking all of you for the love and concern which you express towards me and for the wholehearted support you give for my humble service, I entrust our Synod, the priests, the religious and the lay faithful of our Church to the protection of Mary, Mother of the Church, St. Thomas, our Father in faith, St. Alphonsa, St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara and St. Euphrasia and all the Blessed of our Church.

With these words I formally declare the First Session of the XXVII Synod of the Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church closed.

George Cardinal Alencherry
Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church
XXVII Synod (2019)
Session II
19-30 August 2019
My dear Brother Archbishops and Bishops,
Praise be to Jesus Christ!

Today we enter into the Second Session of the XXVII Synod, committing our thoughts and sentiments to the inspirations of the Holy Spirit. I thank Bishop Antony Prince Panengaden for giving us an inspiring talk for the recollection. He could effectively lead us to various biblical passages enabling us to meditate deeply on our ministry as Shepherds to take care of the flock that God has entrusted to us. Bishop Prince himself was the preacher this time for the annual retreat of the Bishops of KCBC. Let us thank God for the special gift of preaching with missionary zeal that the Lord has granted him.

I extend a most cordial welcome to all of you to this Session of the Synod. Out of 63 Bishops, except six emeriti Bishops, all others have confirmed their attendance. This is the first Session of our Synod after the demise of Bishop Mar Abraham D. Mattam, who left us for the heavenly abode on April 16, this year.

It was in the year 1968 he was appointed Exarch of the newly formed Exarchate of Satna. In 1977 the Exarchate was raised to the status of an Eparchy and Mar A.D. Mattam was appointed its first Bishop. During his tenure as the Exarch and later as Bishop he gave a new direction and foundation to the Evangelization and the Apostolic work in the mission field of India. He was successful in
starting educational institutions, convents, and churches in all the
district headquarters. Schools were started also for the differently
abled children.

He has authored several books and has written a number of articles
in various periodicals. The depth of his knowledge in theology,
liturgy, spirituality and the history of our church has enlightened
and inspired everyone. He was a good teacher and writer on these
subjects. His research on the nature and the history of the early
St. Thomas Christians, has given great contributions to the Church
in India as a whole and to the Syro-Malabar Church in particular.

Bishop Mattam was a role model and guide to all the priests,
religious and the lay people of the Church. He led a very happy
and active retired life in the Vincentian Generalate, Edapally.
After having fulfilled all his responsibilities faithfully he accepted
the final call of the Divine Master. I remember with gratitude the
Vincentian Congregation which has well taken care of him during
his retired life. I also thank the Eparchy of Satna for organizing a
solemn funeral service attended by a good number of bishops,
priests, consecrated men and women and the local people. Let
us express our heartfelt condolences to the Eparchy of Satna and
the Vincentian Congregation and remember our beloved Bishop
Abraham Mattam constantly in our prayers.

Let us also recall the memory of Fr. Jose Chiramel who passed away
on 18th June, this year. As you know he was the President of the
Major Archiepiscopal Ordinary Tribunal and the Postulator General.
His service to the Church has been highly praiseworthy and will be
ever remembered in the history of this Curia.

In this Session, as you all know, we have to make very important
decisions regarding the administration of the Archeparchy of
Ernakulam-Angamaly. We have sought divine assistance for our
deliberations in the Synod during the time of recollection and the
Holy *Qurbana*. Now also we have prayed at the beginning of this first sitting. Let us continue this prayerful spirit during all our discussions and activities of the Synod. We can also have frequent recourse to the Eucharistic Lord during intervals having personal moments of adoration in the chapel.

We have to take important decisions regarding the election of the Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly, assignment of new Offices for Bishop Sebastian Adayantrath and Bishop Jose Puthenveettil, election of the Bishop of Bijnor and the procedure on the terna for the auxiliary bishop of the Eparchy of Palghat and the auxiliary bishop for the Malankara community in the Archeparchy of Kottayam.

The joyful events that await us in October this year are the *ad limina* and the canonization of Blessed Mariam Thresia. After the canonization ceremony, there are celebrations both in Rome and at Kuzhikkattussery. On the occasion of the *ad limina* visit we have the blessing of the house of Procura fixed on 12th of October. On our way to Rome for the *ad limina* visit some of us will join the global convention of the Catholica Congress in Dubai on 30th September.

At the invitation of Bishop Paul Hinder I participated in the pastoral visit of the Holy Father Pope Francis in Abu Dhabi from 3-5 February 2019. As requested by the Congregation for Oriental Churches, we made a study on the papal document promulgated on the occasion under the auspices of the Doctrinal Commission and we intend to send it to the Apostolic See. We have to think of taking more effective steps before the Apostolic See to get the jurisdiction for pastoral care of our people in the Gulf countries.

The organization of the pastoral and evangelization work of the Eparchy of Shamshabad have to be given special attention. I take this occasion to appreciate Bishop Raphael Thattil and his team for the great progress that the Eparchy has already achieved and I would
like to thank the Eparchies and the Congregations of consecrated life who have taken different areas of the vast Eparchy for pastoral and evangelization activities.

Though not in the same intensity of the previous year, this time also heavy rainfall and consequent flood and landslips have created damages all over Kerala especially in the areas of the Eparchies of Thamarassery, Mananthavady, Tellicherry, Palghat, Changanacherry and Idukki. During times of natural calamities our Christian conscience should urge us to reach out to the affected people irrespective of caste and creed consideration. Let us thank all the relief workers, especially the social service societies of our eparchies.

I congratulate Bishop Antony Chirayath who is in the Golden Jubilee Year of his Priestly Ordination. I also specially remember Bishop Joseph Pastor Neelankavil CMI and Archbishop Joseph Powathil who have entered into Navathi on 19th March and 14th August respectively and Archbishop Jacob Thoomkuzhy who will enter into same on 13 December this year. I offer them prayerful wishes and God’s blessings in the name of all the members of the Synod.

I would like to inform the Synod that the CMC have started a Mission in the Chaldean Church of Iraq in the Catholic Archeparchy of Kirkuk-Sulaimaniya. They have started teaching in a school and their service is well appreciated by the local church.

This is the first time that Fr Vincent Cheruvathoor, assists the Synod as Chancellor and Fr Abraham Kavilpurayidathil as Vice Chancellor. I welcome them both to the Synod hall.

The team of Sisters from the CSN has completed their term of service here in the Curia and we gave them a grateful farewell. The new team of Sisters from the Congregation of Medical Sisters St Joseph (MSJ) has arrived and started their service with full vigour and enthusiasm.
Let us enter into this Synodal Session with great confidence in God and with the spirit of communion among ourselves. The Holy Spirit will empower us in all our ecclesial activities. Pope Francis reminds us: ‘Let us be open up to the Spirit, He will push us forward like the wind pushes a sailing boat’.

Let us also invoke the mediation of Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Christ, St. Thomas our Father in faith, St. Geevarghese and all the Saints of the Church, especially St. Alphonsa, St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara and St. Euphrasia and St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Blessed Mariam Thresia, Blessed Kunjachan Thevarparampill and Blessed Martyr Rani Maria.

With these words I declare the Second Session of the XXVII Synod 2019 open.

George Cardinal Alencherry
Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church
XXVII SYNOD (2019), SESSION II
19-30 AUGUST 2019

REPORT

The XXVII Synod (2019), Session II began with a recollection
preached by Bishop Prince Antony Panengadan, at 10.00 a.m.,
followed by personal prayer and Holy Qurbana of the Bishops with
the Major Archbishop George Cardinal Alencherry being the main
celebrant.

Bishop Prince Antony Panengadan spoke about the crucial
importance of this Session of the Synod. Making reference to Micah
7:8 he observed that we will be able to overcome the present
challenges. In this context he said that we should submit ourselves
fully to the Holy Spirit. In the first Synod of the Church though there
were differences of opinion, they came out of the Synod with one
mind and heart under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit (Acts 15). We
should also exercise our prophetic role while speaking to the people
after having discerned the Word of God. This requires that we be in
the presence of God listening to His Word (Ezek. 33:6-7). We should
also have the mind of Jesus who did not regard the equality with
God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself taking a
form of a slave (Phil. 2:1-11). Referring to 1 Cor 13, Bishop Prince
reminded the Synod members of our responsibility to make others
comfortable which requires love and mercy from our part.

The formal sitting of the Synod began at 2.30 pm by the lighting
of the lamp by the Major Archbishop and a prayer led by him after
which he proceeded to the inaugural address.
**The Formal Inauguration of the Synod:** In his inaugural address the Major Archbishop thanked Bishop Prince Antony Panengadan for his spiritual reflections. The Major Archbishop appreciated the special gift of preaching which the Lord has granted to Bishop Prince.

Referring to the sad demise of Bishop Mar Abraham D. Mattam VC, the former Bishop of Satna, the Major Archbishop spoke about the valuable contributions Bishop Mattam had made to the Syro-Malabar Church in general and the Eparchy of Satna in particular. He also expressed heartfelt condolences to the Eparchy of Satna and to the Vincentian Congregation. The Major Archbishop recalled the memory of the late Fr. Jose Chiramel who was the President of the Major Archiepiscopal ordinary Tribunal and the Postulator General.

The Major Archbishop informed the Bishops that we have to make certain important decisions during this Synod, such as election of the Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly, assignment of new offices for Bishop Sebastian Adyanthrath and Bishop Jose Puthvenveettil, Election of the Bishop of Bijnor and the procedure of the terna for the Auxiliary Bishop of Palghat and the Auxiliary Bishop for the Malankara Community in the Archeeparchy of Kottayam. The joyful events that await us this year are the *Ad limina* and Canonization of Blessed Mariam Thresia in Rome and the Global convention of the Catholica Congress in Dubai.

Making reference to the visit of the Holy Father Pope Francis in Abu Dhabi in which the Major Archbishop participated, he spoke about the urgency of taking more effective steps to get jurisdiction for the pastoral care of our people in the Gulf countries. Appreciating Bishop Raphael Thattil and his team for the great progress that the Eparchy of Shamshabad has achieved, the Major Archbishop thanked the Eparchies and the Congregations of Consecrated life which have taken different areas of the Eparchy of Shamshabad for pastoral and evangelization activity.
The Major Archbishop thanked all the relief works that were initiated by our Eparchies during the heavy rain fall and consequent flood and landslips.

The Major Archbishop congratulated Bishop Antony Chirayath, who is in the Golden Jubilee of his Priestly Ordination, Archbishop Joseph Powathil and Bishop Joseph Pastor Neelankavil CMI who have entered in the Navathy and Archbishop Jacob Thoomkuzhy who will be entering in to the same this year.

The Major Archbishop appreciated the initiative of the CMC Sisters who have started a Mission in the Chaldean Church of Iraq in the Catholic Archeeparchy of Kirkuk-Sulaimaniya.

The Major Archbishop welcomed Fr. Vincent Cheruvathoor the Chancellor, Fr. Abraham Kavilpurayidathil Vice-Chancellor, Fr. Joseph Tholanickal, the Finance Officer, Fr. Thomas Adoppillil, President of the Major Archiepiscopal Ordinary Tribunal and Postulator General, Fr. Joji Kalllingal, Executive Director of Liturgical Research Centre (LRC), Fr. Thomas Melvettom, Secretary of the Commission for Catechesis, Fr. Robin Thalachelloor, Secretary of the Commission for Media and the MSJ Sisters who have started their service with full vigor and enthusiasm here.

Recalling the fact that every Synodal Session is an ecclesial act guided by the Holy Spirit and invoking blessings of God, the Major Archbishop declared the second Session of XXVII Synod 2019 open.

Participants: The following members were present for the current session of the Synod: Major Archbishop George Alencherry, Abp. Mathew Moolakkatt OSB (Kottayam), Abp. Andrews Thazhath (Trichur), Abp. Joseph Perumthottam (Changanacherry), Abp. George Njaralakkatt (Tellicherry), Abp. Kuriakose Bharanikulangara (Faridabad), Abp. Jacob Thoomkuzhy (Emeritus, Trichur), Abp. George Valiamattam (Archbishop Emeritus, Tellicherry), Bp. Joseph Pallikkaparampil (Emeritus, Palai), Bp. Gratian Mundadan CMI (Emeritus, Bijnor), Bp. George Punnakkottil (Emeritus, Kothamangalam), Bp. Thomas Chakiath (Emeritus Auxiliary,

**Office Bearers for the Present Session of the Synod:** The Synod approved the designation of the following persons to the various offices and committees for the conduct of the present session:

**Moderators:** Bishop Raphael Thattil (Convener) and Bishop Remigiose Inchananiyil.
**Tellers:** Bishop Sebastian Pozholiparambil, Bishop John Nellikunnel, and Bishop James Athikalam MST.

**Committee for the Media:** Hereafter the Media Commission will take care of the duties of the Committee for Media: Bishop Joseph Pamplany (Chairman), Bishop Pauly Kannookadan and Bishop Sebastian Vaniyapurackal (Members).

**Committee for the Pastoral Circular:** Archbishop Kuriakose Bharanikulangara (Convener), Bishop Remigiose Inchananiyil and Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI (Members).

**Liturgal Celebrations:** Bishop Pauly Kannookadan.

**Review of the Decisions of the Previous Synod:** Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI, the Secretary of the Synod read out the decisions of the previous Synod held in January 2019. The Synod reviewed the implementation of the decisions.

**Leave of Absence:** The Synod granted leave of absence to a few Bishops from certain sittings of the present Session of the synod for various reasons.

**Finalization of the Agenda:** Bishop Raphael Thattil moderated the Session. Agenda for the present Session of the Synod was taken up for discussion. After a brief discussion the Agenda was finalized with a few modifications and additions. The finalized agenda consists of the following items.

1. Confidential Matters
2. Information on *Ad limina* visit and further discussion on the preparations for the same
3. Election of Rectors: Mangalapuzha and Vadavathoor
4. Election of President of Paurastya Vidyāpīṭham, Vadavathoor
6. Petition of the differently abled people
7. Conferring the title of Major Archiepiscopal Pilgrim Centre to St Mary’s Forane Church, Kaduthuruthy of the Archeparchy of Kottayam
8. Proposal to amend article 198/1 of the particular law on Friday abstinence.
10. Disparity of cult marriages becoming common
11. Regarding the duration of the validity of the certificate of the Marriage Preparation Course
12. Regarding Syro-Malabar Apostolic Visitation New Zealand
13. Request of Dr. Mohan Thomas to appoint a commission in the Synod to pursue issue of Gulf Eparchy
14. Expansion of the Cherupushpa Mission League to the Eparchies and other Provisions outside India
15. Meeting of the Major Superiors
16. Matters related to Youth Commission
17. Implementation of the Posture of priests in the Holy Qurbana by the Synod
18. The need of properly trained lectors to read the book of OT and Epistles
19. Who shall announce the Marriage Banns and decide the proper time of announcing the Marriage Banns in relation to the Holy Qurbana?
20. Some of the liturgical matters from the last Synod.
   a. Insertion of the Filioque in the Creed of the Qurbana
   b. Questions with regard to the prayers that can be omitted in Private Qurbana
   c. Use of You and Thou (ты, я) in the Liturgical Prayers
   d. Proper vestments for the celebration of the sacramentals.
21. Presentation of Reports of the Commissions and Departments:
   i. Commission for Liturgy
   ii. Commission for Catechesis
   iii. Commission for Evangelization and Pastoral Care of the Migrants
iv. Commission for Clergy
vi. Commission for Doctrine
vii. Commission for Ecumenism
viii. Commission for Vocation
ix. Commission for Youth
x. Commission for Family, Laity and Life + Catholic Congress, Laity Forums
xi. Forums, Mathruvedi, Kudumbakootayma, Family Apostolate & Pro-life
xii. Commission for Media
xiii. Committee for Education – Colleges & Schools
xiv. Syro-Malabar Mission (SyMM)
 xv. Syro-Malabar Dalit Vikas Society
xvi. Public Relations Office
xvii. Syro-Malabar Internet Mission
xviii. Liturgical Research Centre
xix. Social Mission Network (SPANDAN)
xx. Major Archiepiscopal Tribunal and Office of the Postulator General

22. Presentation of Reports of Various Major Seminaries and the Institutes:
i. St. Joseph Pontifical Seminary, Mangalapuzha, Aluva.
ii. St. Thomas Apostolic Seminary, Vadavathoor, Kottayam.
iii. Good Shepherd Major Seminary, Kunnoth.
iv. St. Ephrem’s Theological College, Satna.
v. Paurastya Vidyāpīṭham, Vadavathoor

24. Presentation of the Statement of Accounts and Budget of the Curia.
25. Dates for the forthcoming Agenda.
26. The Eparchy of Shamshabad extending to all India: problems and possibilities of Migrant care and Ad Gentes mission
27. Mr. Joseph Nadackapadam (Palakunnel), Chicago — Recommended for Sabhatharam Award
28. Request from Bp. Jose Porunndom to confer the title Major Archipiscopal Pilgrim Centre on Holy Cross Forane Church Nadavayal in the Eparchy of Mananthavady
30. Discussion on Deepika
31. Suspension of auxiliary Bishop of Ernakulam-Angamaly
32. The permanent pastoral governance of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly.
33. Land issue at the Archdiocese of Ernakulam-Angamaly: Regularisation, Reconciliation, Restitution
34. Extension of Latin Jurisdiction to the Latin faithful residing in the territories of Syro-Malabar Eparchies.
35. Heavy rainfall and consequent flood and landslip
36. Canonization of Blessed Mariam Thresia
37. Accumulated Mass stipends
38. Special Commission for Evangelization
39. Follow up meeting of Chairman, Seminary Commission
40. Matters arising from the Previous Synod
   - Requesting favourable opinion of the synod to initiate the Cause of Fr Bruno Kaniyarakath CMI, Sr Colletheramma and Sr Fidelis Thaliyath SD
   - Meeting of the Pastoral Council Secretaries scheduled for August 26 Monday, 10.30 to 4.00pm
• Amendments of the Statutes of the Major Archiepiscopal Assembly
• Venue, committee and topic for the fifth Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Assembly
• Safe Environment Committee in accordance with Vos estis lux mundi
• Follow up of the meeting of Vicars/Rectors/Kaikars of Pilgrim Centres/important churches

After a brief discussion, it was decided to take up first the issues of Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly.

**Interaction with Msgr. Mitja Leskovar, Chargé d'affaires:** The Major Archbishop welcomed Msgr. Mitja Leskovar, Chargé d’affaires of the Apostolic Nunciature in India and invited him to address the Synod. Msgr. Leskovar communicated the following messages to the Synod.

1. Condolences, prayers and blessing of His Holiness Pope Francis to the relatives of the deceased and injured during the heavy rainfall and flood in Kerala, Karnataka, Maharashtra and Gujarat communicated by Cardinal Pietro Parolin, Secretary of State.

2. Communication from His Eminence Leonardo Sandri, Prefect of the Congregation for the Oriental Churches, that Bishop Sebastian Adayanthrath and Bishop Jose Puthenveettil have full right to participate in the Synodal Assembly. The two Bishops shall await, as approved by the Holy Father, that the Synod of Bishops assigns them a new destination, taking care that a genuine reconciliation be done among the parties for the good of the Syro-Malabar Church and of the people of God.

After an interaction in which several bishops participated the Secretary of the Synod, Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI thanked Msgr. Mitja Leskovar for his visit and sharing.

**Issues connected with Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly:** Bishop Raphael Thattil, the moderator invited the Synodal members to suggest the methodology to be adopted while discussing this
matter. It was decided to take up first the issues of Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly for discussion during this Session of the Synod. To begin the discussions, Bishop Sebastian Vaniyapurackal read out the related documents. The issues connected with the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly were discussed in various sittings of the Synod.

**Mediation Council:** The issue of settling civil and criminal cases related to the issues in the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly was taken up for the discussion. It was suggested that settling of the cases would be necessary to take the Archeparchy in its onward journey. After due discussion on this matter, it was decided to entrust the Mediation Council of KCBC consisting of judges: Rtd. Justice Kurian Joseph (Chairman), Rtd. Justice Pius Kuriakose (Member), Rtd. Justice Abraham Mathew (Member), Rtd. Judge K. C. George (Member) and Rtd. Judge Daniel Pappachan (Member).

**New Pastoral Ministry for Bishop Sebastian Adayanthrath and Bishop Jose Puthenveettill:**

As per the papal decision to assign new destinations for Bishop Sebastian Adayanthrath and Bishop Jose Puthenveettill, the Synod took up the matter for a detailed discussion in which several Bishops participated.

**Guidelines on the Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly:** Bishop Raphael Thattil read out the letter issued by Cardinal Leonardo Sandri, the Prefect of the Congregation for the Oriental Churches, dated 20 March 2019 (Prot. N. 157/2018) giving two modifications on the Draft of the Guidelines on the Office of the Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly. He then presented the revised document about the Office of the Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly and the Draft of the Guidelines for the Office of the Vicar of the Major Archbishop. This was followed by a discussion in which several Bishops participated. It was decided to request Archbishop Andrews Thazhath to fine-
tune these documents and present them in a later sitting of the Synod for its approval.

In another sitting, Archbishop Andrews Thazhath presented the Guidelines of the Vicar of the Major Archbishop of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly which were fine tuned as per the direction of the Synod. After a detailed discussion on this subject, it was decided to approve the Guidelines.

**Elections:** The Synod conducted the following elections:

1. **Election to the Office of the Bishop of Bijnor:** The Synod took appropriate decision on the matter.
2. **Election to the Office of the Vicar of Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly:** The Synod took appropriate decision on the matter.
3. **Election to the Office of the Bishop of the Eparchy of Mandya:** The Synod took appropriate decision on the matter.
4. **Election to the Office of the Auxiliary Bishop of the Eparchy of Faridabad:** The Synod took appropriate decision on the matter.
5. **Seminary Commission, St. Thomas Apostolic Seminary, Vadavathoor:** Following Bishops were elected to the Seminary Commission: Archbishop Mathew Moolakkatt OSB (Chairman), Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt (Member) and Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI (Member).
6. **Liturgical Research Centre:** The following Bishops were elected: Bishop Tony Neelankavil (Chairman) and Bishop Jose Pulickal (Episcopal Member).
7. **Rector, St. Joseph’s Pontifical Seminary, Mangalapuzha:** The Synod took appropriate decision on the matter.
8. **President, *Paurastya Vidyāpīṭham*, Vadavathoor, Kottayam:** The Synod took appropriate decision on the matter.
9. **Rector, St. Thomas Apostolic Seminary, Vadavathoor:** The Synod took appropriate decision on the matter.
Appointment of Commissions/Committees: The Major Archbishop informed the Synod that the following Commissions/Committees are reconstituted with effect from 24 August 2019 as follows:

Commission for Vocation
Bishop Lawrence Mukkuzhy (Chairman)
Archbishop George Njaralakatt (Member)
Bishop Jacob Muricken (Member)

Director of Syro-Malabar Mission:
Bishop Raphael Thattil

Committee for Canonical Questions:
Archbishop Kuriakose Bharanikulangara (Convener)
Bishop Remigiose Inchananiyil (Member)
Bishop Paul Alappatt (Member)

Committee for Honours and Titles:
Bishop Pauly Kannookadan (Convener)
Archbishop Andrews Thazhath (Member)
Bishop Remigiose Inchananiyil (Member)

Communicating decisions of the Permanent Synod: Archbishop Kuriakose Bharanikulangara brought to the attention of the Synod the need to communicate to all Bishops the decisions of the Permanent Synod for a better liaising between these two bodies. After a brief discussion, it was decided to request the Major Archbishop to send decisions of the Permanent Synod-the confidential ones by post and others by e-mail to all the Bishops.

Meeting of the Synod with the Major Superiors: The meeting of the Synod with the Major Superiors of the various Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life was held under the auspices of the Commission for the Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life, in the main auditorium of the Major Archiepiscopal Curia. The meeting began with a prayer song led by Sr. Jessy MSJ. Cardinal George Alencherry, the Major
Archbishop, inaugurated the meeting. Bishop Jose Porunnedom, the Chairman of the Commission welcomed the gathering. Bishop Lawrence Mukkuzhy and Bishop Jose Chittooparambil CMI, the members of the Commission, Sr. Mercy Nedumpurath SABS, President of the Syro-Malabar Religious Conference, Fr. Francis Kureekal MST, the Vice-President and Fr. Shabin Karakunnel CST, the Secretary of the Commission, graced the occasion on the stage. Bro. Franco Kannampuzha MMB, the Superior General of the Malabar Missionary Brothers, anchored the meeting. A total of 173 Major Superiors and other representatives participated.

The Major Archbishop, in his inaugural address, pointed out that all of us are the members of the mystical body of Christ. It is the intimate union with Jesus that guides us. We bear witness to Jesus by acts of mercy and charity. We should not be worried about the decline of the vocation to the Consecrated life. For what matters is quality and not very much the quantity. The Major Archbishop appealed to the consecrated men and women to take up the challenges of mission work in India and abroad. He congratulated the CMC and the CMI Congregations for their initiatives in taking up mission work in Iraq.

Fr. Paul Parathazham, Director, St. John’s National Academy of Health Sciences, presented a paper about the findings on the quality of life and effectiveness of Ministry of the Consecrated in India today. The findings of this paper are based on a survey conducted between 2004-2013 among 2165 (365 men and 1800 women) consecrated persons. The paper brings out the growing comfort culture, attachment to position and power and lack of involvement in the lives of the poor pointing to serious erosion of prophetic commitment among the consecrated. Fr. Paul concluded his paper stating that reinforcing the prophetic thrust of vocation to consecrated life is an urgent imperative.

This was followed by a discussion in which several bishops and consecrated men and women participated. Archbishop Andrews
Thazhath gave a briefing about the issues connected with Archearchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly and the practical steps initiated by the Synod in solving them.

Bishop Jose Porunndom invited Sr. Mercy, President of SMRC to submit to Fr. Shabin Karakunnel CST, Secretary of the Commission, her proposals regarding strengthening of Vocation Bureau, celebration of Holy Qurbana on Sundays in the convents where there are senior sisters, tension between North and South and settling liturgical controversies. Fr. Shabin shall present these proposals in the Synod along with the SMRC report. The meeting came to an end with the vote of thanks proposed by the Secretary.

**Meeting with the Pastoral Council Secretaries:** A special meeting was organized with the Pastoral Council Secretaries of the Eparchies of the Syro-Malabar Church. The meeting was held in the main auditorium of the Curia from 10.30 am to 4.00pm.

**Participants:** The following Pastoral Council Secretaries from 22 Eparchies took part in the meeting: Mr. Bitty B. Nedunilam (Belthangady), Mr. Jomy Mathew (Bhadravati), Fr. Bibin Thekkekkara (Chanda, Substitute), Dr. Dominic Vazheeparambil (Changanacherry), Mr. P.P. Jerard (Ernakulam), Mr. P.J. Thomas (Faridabad), Mr. Jacob Chackathara (Hosur), Mr. Luka Vattakuzhiyil (Idukki), Mr. Telson Kottoly (Irinjalakuda), Dr. C. P. Johnson (Kalyan), Adv. V.C. Sebastian (Kanjirapally), Mr. George Kelakam (Kothamangalam), Mr. Sebastian Palamparambil (Mananthavady), Dr. Mathew Mampra (Mandy), Mr. Siju Sebastian Kaimanai (Palai), Mr. Denny Thengumpally (Palghat), Mr. T.K. Cyriac Chooravady (Ramanathapuram), Adv. P.T. Chacko (Shamshabad), Mr. Joby Moolayil (Tellicherry, Substitute), Dr. Chacko Kalamparambil (Thamarassery), Mr. Y. John Thachacode (Thuckalay) and Dr. Mary Regina (Trichur). Fr. Antony Moolayil, the Secretary of the Synodal Commission for Family, Life and Laity also participated in the meeting.

The meeting began with a hymn to the Holy Spirit. Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt, the Chairman of Synodal Commission for Family, Laity,
and Life, welcomed the participants. Qualifying the meeting as a historic one, Bishop Kallarangatt invited the Secretaries to make interventions with cordiality and nobility. He said that we are Easter people, a people of hope. In the background of the *motu proprio Sedula Mater*, he reminded the participants that every believer is *altera ecclesia*. The lay people are not merely collaborators, but co-responsible with Bishops and priests. We must be aware of the dangers of clericalism and laicism. We need to build up laity who defends the Creed and the History of the Church.

Bishop Raphael Thattil moderated the session. He invited the Secretaries to share their views with faithfulness, prudence and creativity. In the first session, all the Secretaries gave a briefing about the functioning of the Pastoral Council in their Archeparchies and eparchies and their opinions and evaluations of the problems in the Church mainly in the background of the issues in the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly. The second session was held soon after the lunch in which the Secretaries discussed the relevant topics of common interest, which could be taken up in the Pastoral Council meetings in their eparchies.

The third session of the day was the interaction between the Bishops and the Pastoral Council Secretaries. The Bishops also made several interventions, after which the Major Archbishop addressed the gathering. Cardinal Mar George Alencherry expressed his satisfaction over the interaction with the Pastoral Council Secretaries. Making a reference to the issues in the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly, he admitted that, being the most responsible person, there were failures on his part too, for not containing the problem. But he shared his optimism regarding the future. He said that the Synod Members are discussing the problems with an open heart with the intention of solving all the issues. He invited the collaboration of all to accept the decisions of the Synod.

The Major Archbishop stressed the fact that the Church is a participatory Church. We should give up the attitude of domination
and speak a language of humility, without creating jealousy for others. He said that the lay participation cannot be limited to the *Pothuyogam* and the Major Archiepiscopal Assembly. We should think of more ways and means for ensuring the participation of the laity in the Church matters. Inviting the laity to be actively involved in the society, the Major Archbishop asked them to become members of Catholica Congress and thus to create a strong platform for the laity in the Church and the society. He concluded his address thanking everyone who put their efforts to organize and to execute the meeting. Moderator Bishop Thattil thanked everyone, in a special way, the Secretaries for their graceful presence and noble interventions.

**The salient proposals or observations emerged in the sharing and interactions:**

1. The decision to invite the Pastoral Council Secretaries to listen to and to interact with the Members of the Synod is highly appreciated. This noble gesture of respecting the role of the laity in the Church should be continued in the coming years.

2. The recent happenings in the Church in common and in the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly in particular are unfortunate. They really damaged the image of the Church causing public scandal.

3. Strict disciplinary actions are to be taken against all those who are involved in scandalous activities of indiscipline. The Synod should not be afraid of taking actions yielding to pressure from outside imposed by individuals or groups.

4. The ordinary faithful look at the Synod hoping to find solutions to the problems and to reinforce discipline in the Church.

5. It is advisable to shift the Major Archiepiscopal See from Ernakulam-Angamaly to some other Eparchies.

6. An immediate ceasefire should be declared with regard to the provocative interventions in the social media.
7. The *Catholica* Congress should be strengthened as the platform of the laity of the Syro-Malabar Church to promote lay leadership and to facilitate social and cultural interventions.

8. Witnessing the faith is more important than material development.

9. The priests and the religious who are caught up in financial and sexual misconducts should be punished properly rather than just being given a transfer.

10. The seminary formation needs to be thoroughly revised. The aptitude and the conduct of the young priests call for the same.

11. Uniformity in the celebration of the Liturgy is essential for the unity in the Church. This is much more essential in migrant eparchies where there are faithful from all eparchies. Disunity in liturgical matters has weakened the Church and failed her in giving a testimony of unity and love.

12. Unity in the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation is to be ensured in the whole Church.

13. Care should be taken to give sufficient representation to all Eparchies in the appointment of Bishops and while appointing priests to the various Offices in the Major Archiepiscopal Curia.

14. *Palliyyogam* should be reintroduced (after the model of *Sabhayogam*).

15. The Family Units should be strengthened.

16. The forged documents case should not be withdrawn. It is essential to continue the investigation to find the truth behind the fabrication of the documents. The culprits should be punished.

17. The retreat Centers which propagate different spirituality and spiritual theories often cause division in the Church. The competition among them is also a matter of concern.

18. The youth in the Church should be encouraged and promoted. Now, for many reasons, the youth are getting away from the Church.
19. A Syro-Malabar Pastoral Council could be established to facilitate the participation of the laity in the governance of the Church.

20. The language of the Holy *Qurbana* in English should be modified.

21. The Media Commission needs to ensure that only the official spokespersons represent the Church in channel discussions.

22. The spirit of regionalism in the Church should be discouraged.

23. Auxiliary Bishops for different Zones in the Eparchy of Shamshabad need to be appointed.

24. Need to take steps to solve the membership problem in the migrant Eparchies.

25. The Synod should condemn the hunger strike which took place inside the Archbishop’s House, the protest march of priests of Ernakulam-Angamaly, those involved in the forged documents’ case and the similar incidents and the persons involved in them.

26. There is difficulty in following the Synod position in the Holy Qurbana in some eparchies.

27. The issue of *Love-Jihad* needs to be addressed seriously.

28. Laity could be appointed in the key positions of the Church.

29. The Special Committee Reports on the issues of Archeeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly should be made available to the people.

30. Prominence should be given to Pastoral Council Secretaries in the important events of the eparchies/parishes.

31. Prepare the youngsters to take up government jobs including civil service. The number of Christians in this area is gradually declining.

32. The Church should take initiatives in opening schools, colleges, hospitals etc. outside Kerala.

33. Ensure pastoral collaboration among the Eparchies of Thuckalay, Hosur and Ramanathapuram in Tamil Nadu.

34. Get the help of laity in the financial administration of the Church.
35. We should make the faithful aware of the minority rights and facilities that are available with central/state governments.

36. We should be cautious about the plan to implement Uniform Civil Code, National Education Policy, Church Act etc.

37. The Church should adopt timely political stand, reading the signs of the time.

38. A data bank of the faithful of the Syro-Malabar Church should be prepared to get a realistic picture of the community.

39. The decision of the Synod shall be accepted by all the eparchies.

40. The problems faced by farmers, especially by those in the Western Ghats should be a serious concern for the Church.

41. We should distinguish between spiritual and temporal. Bishops and priests shall concentrate on spiritual, leaving temporal matters to the laity.

42. The laity should come forward with their initiatives in various social and cultural activities. Membership in Catholica Congress is the first step in this regard.

43. Need to promote the study of the teachings of the Popes on Oriental traditions.

44. Steps should be taken to connect the youth who reach Australia, Canada and other foreign countries with the Eparichies in the countries concerned, in view of accompanying them in their social and spiritual life. This is equally applicable to the main cities in India like Mangalore, New Delhi, Bangalore etc. A letter from the proper parish priest will facilitate this process.

45. Woman secretary to the Pastoral Council is to be encouraged.

46. In the coming years, laity could be invited to the Synod to discuss a relevant theme.

47. Parents should encourage the youngsters, especially girls, to the vocation of religious life.
48. The Church should act as the conscience of politics without taking sides.

49. We should promote missionary activities among the laity.

50. The laity should make use of the existing structures like family units, parish council, Pothuyogam etc. to get involved in the activities of the Church.

51. Members of the Pastoral Council are to be given training in Church related matters.

52. The laity should be promoted to assume roles in party politics. The coming Panchayath election is to be faced with due preparations in this regard.

**Resignation of Bishop Mathew Arackal:** The Major Archbishop read out the resignation letter submitted by Bishop Mathew Arackal, upon completion of age on 10 December 2019. The Synod requested the Major Archbishop to take appropriate action.

**Conferring the Title of Major Archiepiscopal Pilgrim Centre:** Bishop Pauly Kannookadan presented the requests of Archbishop Mathew Moolakkatt OSB and Bishop Jose Porunnemed to confer the title of Major Archiepiscopal Pilgrim Centre on St. Mary’s Forane Church Kaduthuruthy in the Archeparchy of Kottayam and Holy Cross Forane Church Nadavayal in the Eparchy of Mananthavady respectively. After a brief discussion the Synod decided to declare the above mentioned Churches as Major Archiepiscopal Pilgrim Centers.

**Sabhatharam Award:** Bishop Pauly Kannookadan presented the request of Bishop Jacob Angadiyath to confer the title of Sabhatharam on Mr. Joseph Nadackapadamb (Josekutty Palakunnel) of the Eparchy of Chicago. After a brief discussion the Synod decided to confer the title of Sabhatharam on Mr. Joseph Nadackapadamb.

**Mission Appeal by Bishop of Shamshabad:** In the meeting of Vicars, Rectors and Kaikars of important churches and Pilgrim Centers held in the Major Archiepiscopal Curia on 10 July 2019, the participants had welcomed the idea of the Bishop of Shamshabad making
mission appeal in the Pilgrim Centers and important churches. After short intervention by a few Bishops on this matter, it was decided to permit Bishop Raphael Thattil, Bishop of Shamshabad, to make mission appeal in the Pilgrim Centers and important churches in various Eparchies after due consultation with the Local Bishop concerned.

**Special Commission for Evangelization:** Bishop Raphael Thattil gave a briefing about the concerns the Latin Bishops expressed in the meeting of the Special Commission for Evangelization that was held recently in Bangalore immediately after the Standing Committee Meeting of the CBCI.

1. The Latin Bishops raised their concerns about the contract of the religious belonging to the Syro-Malabar Church working in Latin dioceses. In the meeting of the Special Commission for Evangelization, our Bishops responded that they respect the contracts already entered into by the religious with the Latin Dioceses before the erection of the Eparchy of Shamshabad. But they added that the religious Congregations should have freedom to start houses and mission centers in the Eparchy of Shamshabad without any kind of interference of the Latin Dioceses and that they would like to have formation houses, Provincial Houses and all other Houses and centers which do not come within the contract attached to Eparchy of Shamshabad.

2. Another concern of the Latin Bishops was about the entry of Latin dioceses to our Eparchies with exclusive territory. They expressed their views about the inherited patrimony when the dioceses were erected.

3. Another suggestion was regarding Joint Guidelines to be issued to the faithful by the Bishops of all the three *Sui iuris* churches. This request, it was observed, was not an urgent one.

In the discussion that followed several Bishops made interventions. Some of the important suggestions are the following:
a. There should be a general policy at the CBCI level for sharing property and the faithful.

b. There should be an open dialogue among the concerned Bishops to negotiate in view of settling the issue with mutual agreement.

c. When the Syro-Malabar Eparchies were erected, the land had been allotted for their use by the Apostolic See which was given earlier to the Catholic Church irrespective of the consideration of any rite.

In this regard the Synod requested the Major Archbishop to write to the Bishops of the Eparchies with exclusive jurisdiction to present in the forthcoming Synod the details about the land received from Latin Hierarchy.

**Canonization of Blessed Mariam Thresia and Other celebrations:** Bishop Pauly Kannookadan gave details of the Canonization Ceremony of Blessed Mariam Thresia in Rome on 13 October 2019. He invited all the Bishops to participate in the thanks giving Holy Qurbana at 2.00 pm on 12 November 2019 at Kuzhikkattussery. Bishop Joseph Srampickal informed the Synod that Blessed Cardinal Newman will also be canonized on 13 October 2019 along with Blessed Mariam Thresia by Pope Francis in Rome. Bishop Jose Chittooparambil invited the Bishops to the birth Centenary Celebrations of the late Bishop Jonas Thaliyath in Rajkot on 12 November 2019.

**Heavy Rainfall and Consequent Flood:** The Synod evaluated the recent heavy rainfall and consequent flood in several parts of the country. Bishops gave a briefing about the damages in their Eparchies. Many of our people have been affected because they lost their houses. The general understanding was not to make an appeal for a general collection of funds but encourage mutual help among the Eparchies.

**Syro-Malabar Apostolic Visitation in New Zealand:** Bishop Bosco Puthur in formed the Synod that he has not been able to carry out
effectively his responsibilities of Apostolic Visitation as the Syro-Malabar Church does not have jurisdiction in New Zealand. In the brief discussion that followed it was decided to request the Apostolic See either to extend the jurisdiction of the Eparchy of Melbourne to New Zealand or appoint Bishop Bosco Puthur also as the Exarch of New Zealand.

**Apostolic Visitation in Europe:** Bishop Stephen Chirappanath brought to the attention of the Synod an important problem which he faces in his Apostolic Visitation in Europe especially in Vienna as some Religious do not respect the directive of the Apostolic See regarding the presentation of candidates to dioceses to take up pastoral ministry. In the brief discussion that followed it was decided to speak directly to the Major Superiors of such Religious Congregations.

**Vocation to Brotherhood:** The Major Archbishop brought to the attention of the Synod the concern of the Malabar Missionary Brothers (MMB) about the promotion of vocation to Brotherhood. In the discussion that followed it was decided to request the Bishops to encourage the vocation to the Brotherhood through their Pastoral Letters.

**Spandan Award Presentation:** *Spandan* Award Presentation was held in the afternoon on 28 August in the Conference Hall. The Major Archbishop inaugurated the meeting. In his inaugural address the Major Archbishop observed that the activities of *Spandan* bring out the social face of our Church. He congratulated the award winners for their committed service in the social ministry and presented the awards to Fr. Varghese Alumchuvattil (the representative of priests Eparchy of Gorakpur), Sr. Adv. Suma Jose SD (the representative of the Religious) and Mr. U.C. Paulose (the representative of the Laity, Eparchy of Belthangady). Bishop Mathew Arackal presided over the meeting, Bishop Sebastian Adayantrath introduced the award winners and Bishop Jacob Angadiyath felicitated them. Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI welcomed the gathering and Fr. Michael Vettikatt proposed the vote of thanks.
Report on the Joint Meeting of the Clergy Commission and Seminary Commissions: Secretary of the Synod Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI welcomed Fr. Joji Kallingal, Secretary, Clergy Commission and invited him to present the report of the joint meeting of the Clergy Commission and Seminary Commission together with the Major Seminary Rectors held on 26 April 2019 at Major Archiepiscopal Curia. The topics discussed in the meeting were clericalism, safe environment, missionary orientation, use of baptismal names, uniformity of vacations, involvement of professors in the pastoral and missionary activities, dress code in seminaries, participation of professors in common prayers, etc. Golden Jubilarians’ gathering will be held on November 7, 2019; Silver Jubilarians’ gathering on November 21, 2019 and Deacons Meet on December 3, 2019.

Future activities of the Commission include refreshing course for the Major Seminary Teaching Staff and ongoing formation for Clergy. In the brief discussion that followed it was decided to request the Clergy Commission to conduct an ongoing formation programme for priests in the Major Archiepiscopal Curia for a duration of two weeks. It was also decided to request the Eparchies of the participants to meet the expenses of such programmes. The Major Archbishop congratulated and thanked Bishop George Madathikandathil, the Chairman, Bishop Sebastian Pozholiparambil, Member and Bishop Thomas Tharayil, Member, Fr. Joji Kallingal, Secretary and Sr. Joina MSJ, Office in-charge Clergy Commission for the initiatives they take in the execution of the various activities.

Report of the Synod Major Seminaries and Paurastya Vidyāpīṭham (PVP), Vadavathoor: The Secretary of the Synod welcomed Fr. Mathew Illathuparambil (Rector, Mangalapuzha), Fr. Emmanuel Attel (Rector, Kunnoth), Fr. Joseph Ottapurackal (Rector, Satna), Fr. Joy Ainiyadan (Rector, Vadavathoor) and Fr. Andrews Mekkattukunnel (President, Paurastya Vidyāpīṭham).

1. St Joseph Pontifical Seminary, Mangalapuzha: Fr. Mathew Illathuparambil, the Rector presented the report of the Seminary
for the academic year 2018-19. The report appreciated the guidance given by the Synodal Commission for the Seminary. During the academic year the Seminary had 249 students (108 for Philosophy, 141 for Theology) hailing from different eparchies and religious congregations. The Seminary is served by 22 Resident Staff and 31 Visiting Professors. Following the widely accepted four pillars of formation, namely, Spiritual, Intellectual, Human and Pastoral, the Seminary was able to give adequate formation for the future priests of our Church. The Seminary gives sufficient opportunities to the students to develop their intellectual and pastoral aptitudes and their social commitment. Special mention is to be made about the relief work provided to the victims of flood during August 2018 by converting the Seminary campus as a Flood Relief Camp.

2. **St. Thomas Apostolic Seminary, Vadavathoor**: Fr Joy Ainiyadan, the Rector, presented the report of the St. Thomas Apostolic Seminary. The report says that the Seminary Community structured in the pattern of the ideal community of Jesus and his disciples is modeled on the perfect community in the Holy Trinity, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. The Seminary has 24 Resident Staff, 65 Visiting Staff and 281 Students, hailing from different Eparchies and Religious Congregations. The Seminary tries to impart integral formation to its students, visualized by the Charter for Priestly Formation in the Syro-Malabar Church. The report proudly mentions of the numerous publications of books and articles by the Teaching Staff.

3. **Paurastya Vidyāpīṭham (PVP), Vadavathoor**: Fr. Andrews Mekkattukunnel, President of *Paurastya Vidyāpīṭham* presented the report of the Institute. The total number of students is 308. During this academic year the PVP started two new departments in the M.Th. section: Syriac Theology and Biblical Studies. Next year the PVP plans to start another department for Pastoral Theology and Counseling. There is a proposal to start two new
faculties too: Philosophy and Ecumenical and Inter Religious studies. The report says that the financial situation of PVP is to be improved. The report expresses gratitude to His Beatitude George Cardinal Alencherry, the Chancellor and the Synod members.

4. **Good Shepherd Major Seminary, Kunnoth:** Fr. Emmanuel Attel, the Rector, presented the report of the Good Shepherd Major Seminary, Kunnoth. The total strength of the students is 200 including a few religious day scholars, hailing from 19 eparchies and 13 religious congregations. The formation stresses on the spiritual, intellectual, human, missionary and pastoral dimensions. One of the remarkable features of the liturgical life of the seminary is that every day all the Staff members join the concelebration. The Seminary is trying to raise funds from the parishes to overcome the deficit. Besides, there is the dire need of a permanent auditorium. The Rector expressed his gratitude to the Seminary Commission and the Synod of Bishops for their paternal solicitude towards the Seminary.

5. **St. Ephrem’s Theological College, Satna:** Fr. Joseph Ottapurackal, the Rector presented the report of the St. Ephrem’s Theological College. The total strength of the Students is 61 including a few religious day scholars, hailing from different eparchies and Religious Congregations. The Seminary is served by 10 Resident Staff and 40 Visiting Professors. Besides the spiritual and intellectual formation, the Seminary stresses pastoral and missionary dimensions. A special feature of the Seminary is that the whole Seminary Community celebrates together the Holy Week and the Easter. The report expressed gratitude to the Synodal Commission members for its effective guidance.

At the end of the presentation of reports, the Major Archbishop thanked all the Rectors of Seminaries and the President of *Paurastya Vidyāpitham* for their commitment and dedication. He said that the social dimension is helpful for social witnessing. This however
should not be at the expense of spiritual vision which should be seen in the participation of the Holy Eucharist, Liturgy of Hours, Rosary and other spiritual activities. Above all every seminarian should have personal commitment to the Church and Christ.

Referring to the Good Shepherd Seminary, the Major Archbishop suggested that Kunnoth Seminary, while keeping the general nature of a Major Archiepiscopal Seminary, should have orientation towards not only the Malabar region but also to the whole State of Karnataka: as Tellicherry Province has three Eparchies in Karnataka-Belthangady, Bhadravathi and Mandya. He reminded the bishops of their responsibility to develop missionary orientation among the priests. In this context he suggested that after completing their higher studies, priests should be encouraged to serve as teaching Staff the seminary of Satna for a few years.

Ad limina Visit: Bishop Stephen Chirappanath, the Procurator of the Syro-Malabar Church in Rome, gave details of the schedule of the Ad limina visit, the blessing of the Procura and the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of the Syro-Malabar parish in Rome.

Accumulated Mass Intentions: Bishop Jacob Manathodath brought to the attention of the Synod the letter of Congregation for the Oriental Churches Prot. No. 121/2012 dated April 27, 2016 regarding the question of offerings made for the celebration of the Holy Qurbana in the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly. Copy of this letter was made available to all the members of the Synod for their information.

Draft of Raza Text: Bishop Thomas Elavanal MCBS presented the revised draft of Raza Text and requested the Synod members to give their suggestions by 15 November 2019.

The time gap between the death of a person and the initiation of the Cause of Canonization: The Synod discussed about the time gap between the death of a person and the initiation of the Cause of Canonization. There was an opinion to fix the number of years taking into account the increased number candidates to sainthood.
After a brief discussion, it was decided not to put any limit regarding the time gap to begin the process respecting common law, which stipulates five years after the death of the candidate.

**Granting Favourable Opinion to Initiate the Cause of Fr. Bruno Kaniyarakath CMI & Sr. Mary Collethamma FCC:** The January Synod 2019 had asked Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt, Bishop of Palai, to constitute a Committee as per the guidelines approved in the 2008 Synod. Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt presented before the Synod the findings of the Committee regarding the life, activities and virtues of Fr. Bruno Kaniyarakath CMI and Sr. Mary Collethamma FCC. After a few interventions by the Bishops, the Synod decided to grant its favourable opinion to initiate the cause of Fr. Bruno Kaniyarakath CMI and Sr. Mary Collethamma FCC.

**Granting Favourable Opinion to Initiate the Cause of Sr. Fidelis Thaliyath SD:** The January Synod 2019 had asked Archbishop Kuriakose Bharanikulangara, Bishop of Faridabad, to constitute a Committee as per the guidelines approved in the 2008 Synod. Mar Kuriakose Bharanikulangara presented before the Synod findings of the Committee regarding the life, activities and virtues of Sr. Fidelis Thaliyath SD. After a few interventions by the Bishops, the Synod decided to grant its favourable opinion to initiate the cause of Sr. Fidelis Thaliyath SD.

**Vocation Promotion:** Bishop Lawrence Mukkuzhy, Chairman, Commission for Vocation brought to the attention of the Synod the issue of decline in Vocation to religious and priestly life. As this is a matter of concern for us necessary steps should be taken to strengthen Vocation promotion. After a brief discussion it was decided to request the Commission for Vocation to conduct training programmes for the Vocation Bureaus in the Archeparchial level.

**Chrupushpa Mission League (CML):** Bishop Lawrence Mukkuzhy, Bishop in charge of CML sought the opinion of the Synod regarding extension of activities of CML to foreign countries. After a brief discussion it was decided to extend the activities of CML to the
eparchies outside India, after the structural pattern followed in India which could gradually assume a global nature.

Marriage Preparation Course: The question of time frame for the validity of marriage preparation course was taken up for discussion. After a few interventions by the bishops it was decided not to fix any specific period for the validity of marriage preparation course consulting also the KCBC Guidelines.

Liturical Research Centre: Bishop Pauly Kannookadan presented a project for the collection of local fund towards the construction of the Heritage and Research Centre. He explained the plan of the LRC to collect an amount of rupees 3 crores through different types of sponsors: Platinum, Dimond, Golden and Silver Sponsors. After a brief discussion, it was decided to permit the LRC to find out local sponsors according to the above mentioned pattern.

Colloquium between Theologians and Retreat Preachers: Bishop Tony Neelankavil, Chairman of Doctrinal Commission brought to the attention of the Synod the theological inaccuracies of certain retreat preachers in our Retreat Centers. After a brief discussion it was decided to request the Doctrinal Commission to organize a Colloquium of the Syro-Malabar Theology Forum and the Retreat Preachers.

Allowance of the Teaching Staff in Seminaries: Bishop George Madathikandathil, Chairman, Seminary Commission for Mangalapuzha Seminary presented before the Synod the request for increasing the allowance of the teaching Staff in Major Seminaries. At present they get 8,000/- per month. If this is to be increased the fees of the Seminarians also must be enhanced. After a brief discussion in which several Bishops participated, it was decided to fix rupees 10,000/- per month as allowance for teaching staff in Seminaries.

Certificate Course on Safe Environment Programme: Bishop George Madathikandathil informed the Synod that sufficient instructions are given in our seminaries regarding the Safe Environment Policy
of the Church and the State. In the discussion that followed it was decided to request all the seminaries to organize a Certificate Course on Safe Environment Programme for all the Major Seminarians before their diaconate.

Financial Administration of the Eparchies: The Synod took up the issue of financial administration in the Eparchies. After a brief discussion it was decided to request the Committee for Canonical Questions to present in the forthcoming Session of the Synod, guidelines regarding financial administration in the Eparchies.

Rashtra Deepika: The Secretary of the Synod welcomed the representatives of Deepika: Fr. Mathew Chandrankunnel, Fr. Bobby Mannamplackal, Fr. Michael Vettikkatt, Fr. Regi Manackalett and Fr. Roy Kannanchira CMI. Fr. Mathew Chandrankunnel gave an update of the financial crisis of Deepika. In the discussion that followed in which several bishops participated, many suggestions came up to solve the financial crisis. The suggestion that appeared to be feasible was that each Province should come forward to own Deepika after the pattern of the Archeparchy of Trichur, which under the leadership of the concerned Bishops, had evolved a project to increase the circulation and revenue through advertisements.

Activities of SMYM: Bishop Joseph Pandarasseril, the Chairman of the Youth Commission, informed the Synod that four SMYM youth leaders and the Secretary Fr. Joseph Alencherry have gone to Belgium to attend Fim CAP General Body Meeting to get affiliation of SMYM to Fim CAP. He also reported the new reorganization of ICYM. He put forward before the Synod the request of the Youth that they get more representation in the parish councils and pastoral councils in each Eparchy.

Ecumenism and Dialogue: Archbishop Joseph Perumthottam requested the Bishops to appoint Directors for the Commission of Ecumenism and Dialogue in their respective Eparchies. He suggested that each Eparchy should have definite programmes for interactions with non-Catholic Christians and members of other religions.
Implementation of Safe Environment Programme: Bishop Sebastian Vaniyapurackal, the Curia Bishop presented the topic in the light of the *motu proprio, Vos estis lux mundi*. In the discussion that followed, it was decided to constitute structures in the Eparchial, Archeparchial and Major Archiepiscopal levels to implement the Safe Environment Programme. This process could be adopted, if needed, by Institutes of Consecrated Life and the Societies of Apostolic Life at the General level. The Synod also decided to authorize Bishop Sebastian Vaniyapurackal, the Curia bishop, to formulate the necessary guidelines and procedures to be followed in the execution of Safe Environment Programme.

Commission for Catechetics: Archbishop George Njaralakatt, the Chairman of the Commission for Catechetics presented the following points for the consideration of the Synod: 1. *Prathiba sangamams* are being successfully organized every year in the month of May for VII Class students and in the Month of December for XII Class students under the auspices of the Commission for Catechesis. The Eparchies outside Kerala may contact the Secretary of the Commission if they plan to have the *sangamam* in their Eparchies. 2. The Commission intends to revise the catechetical text books of classes XI & XII. The eparchial Directors are requested to inform the Commission the changes to be brought about and the themes to be included in the process of revision. 3. The English version of Catechetical books prepared by the Commission is being used in the English speaking countries. But the style of language and the examples, pictures etc. do not seem to fit into the context of those countries. In this regard, decision is to be made whether the Commissions for Catechesis in the concerned Eparchies could be authorized to take up this process of adaptation or it should be taken up by the Central Commission itself.

Venue of the Major Archiepiscopal Assembly: In the discussion about the forthcoming Major Archiepiscopal Assembly, it was
decided to hold the forthcoming Assembly in 2022 January and to request the Permanent Synod to decide the venue.

**Circular on Synodal Decisions:** Bishop Joseph Pamplany read out the draft of the Circular on Synodal decisions. After a detailed discussion in which several Bishops participated, the Synod approved the Circular and decided to publish it at the conclusion of the Synod.

**Scrutiny of the Decisions of XXVII Synod (2019) Session II:** The Synod made a scrutiny of the decisions of XXVII Synod (2019) Session II and gave its approval.

**Dates of Forthcoming Synods:**
- 07 January 2020 to 09 January 2020 (10 am - 06 pm) - Retreat
- 10 January 2020 to 15 January 2020 (09 am - 06 pm) - Synodal Sittings
- 17 August 2020 to 28 August 2020 (10 am - 06 pm) - Synodal Sittings

**Conclusion of the Synod:** The Major Archbishop sought the permission of the Synod to conclude the present Session and gave the concluding address highlighting the important events. The long cherished wish of the Synod to appoint a Bishop with special administrative power for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly has been realized with the appointment of the Vicar of the Major Archbishop in the person of Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI with the title of Archbishop, which is a historic step in the life of our Church. We could make the appointment of Rev. Fr. Vincent Nellaiparambil as the new Bishop of Bijnor and the transfer of Bishop Sebastian Adyanthath to the Eparchy of Mandya and Bishop Jose Puthvenveettil to the Eparchy of Faridabad as the Auxiliary Bishop. Fr. Mathew Koikara CMI was appointed the Administrator of the Eparchy of Mandya. The Major Archbishop extended best wishes and prayers to all of them for a successful ministry.

As major part of this Synodal Session was for discussion on the problems and the issues being faced by the Church, the Synod could not devote much attention to the other items in the agenda. But
the Major Archbishop added that the Synod could make almost all the impending elections and appointments of Commissions, Committees and other organs of the Church. In this context, the Major Archbishop made a reference to the evaluation of the Commission for Evangelization and Pastoral Care of the Migrants and the Commission for Clergy. Since many things could not be discussed in detail about the seminary formation, the Major Archbishop requested the Seminary Commissions to compensate it through their more intensive involvements in the seminary formation. He drew the attention of the Synod Members to the concern that we should have towards the poor and the downtrodden. Through the social activities of Spandan and the other activities of charity, we should be able to become another Christ and a Church with a difference. The Major Archbishop concluded his message thanking all those who helped in one way or other for the efficient functioning of the Synod. Invoking God’s blessings upon our Church, the Major Archbishop declared the XXVII Synod of the Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church (2019) Session II closed at 6 pm on 30 August 2019.

Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI
Secretary, Synod of Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church

Fr. Vincent Cheruvathoor
Major Archiepiscopal Chancellor
DECI SIONS

1. To take up first the issues of Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly for discussion during this Session of the Synod.

2. To request Archbishop Andrews Thazhath to fine-tune the documents about the Office of the Vicar of the Major Archbishop and present them in a later sitting of the Synod for its approval.

3. To request the Major Archbishop to send decisions of the Permanent Synod- the confidential ones by post and others by e-mail to all the Bishops.

4. To constitute a committee consisting of retired judges and representatives of bishops including bishops from Ernakulam to settle all the cases connected with the land deal and fake documents.

5. To request the bishops to give their suggestions about the report prepared by the Media Commission on the land sale in writing to Bishop Joseph Pamplany. He will fine tune it and prepare a short note of three to four pages and submit it in a later sitting of this Session for its approval.

6. To entrust the Vicar of the Major Archbishop with the task of bringing back discipline among the deviants.

7. To constitute a Synodal Committee for Dialogue and Reconciliation consisting of Archbishop Mathew Moolakkatt OSB (Convener), Archbishop George Njaralakatt (Member),
Archbishop Andrews Thazhath (Member), Bishop Jose Porunndom (Member) and Bishop Sebastian Vaniyapurackal (Member) to help the Vicar of the Major Archbishop in this process.

8. To take appropriate disciplinary action against the deviants in the forthcoming Session of the Synod if efforts of the Vicar of the Major Archbishop and of the Synodal Committee for Dialogue and Reconciliation does not seem to yield the desired result.

9. To authorize the Vicar of the Major Archbishop to dissolve or suspend or revive or reconstitute Curia and other Canonical Bodies: College of Consulters, Finance Council, Presbyteral Council and Pastoral Council of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly in consultation with the Major Archbishop.

10. To request the Major Archbishop to issue a letter of warning to Fr. Augustine Vattoly through Fr. Jose Puthiyedath, the Proto-Syncellus of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly asking him to refrain from conducting the protest demonstration against the dismissal of Sr. Lucy Kalappurackal from the Franciscan Clarist Congregation (FCC).

11. To approve the Guidelines on the Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly.

12. To give a Press Release from the part of the Synod stating that:
   • the problems raised by the *Athiroopatha Samrakshana Samithy and Almaya Munnettam* are being discussed in the Synod.
   • some decisions are subject to the approval of Apostolic See
   • the decisions will be communicated to the general public at the conclusion of the Synod and
   • misleading statements and speculations should be avoided by all
13. To constitute a Mediation Council consisting of Retired Judges: Rtd. Justice Kurian Joseph (Chairman), Rtd. Justice Pius Kuriakose (Member), Rtd. Justice Abraham Mathew (Member), Rtd. Judge K. C. George (Member) and Rtd. Judge Daniel Pappachan (Member) to settle the civil and criminal cases related to the issues in the Archeapary of Ernakulam-Angamaly.

14. To declare St. Mary’s Forane Church, Kaduthuruthy in the Archeapary of Kottayam and Holy Cross Forane Church, Nadavayal in the Eparchy of Mananthavady as Major Archiepiscopal Pilgrim Centers.

15. To confer the title of *Sabhatharam* on Mr. Joseph Nadaackapadam, Eparchy of Chicago.

16. To permit Bishop Raphael Thattil, Bishop of Shamshabad, to make mission appeal in the Pilgrim Centers and important churches in various Eparchnies after due consultation with the Local Bishop concerned.

17. To request the Apostolic See either to extend the jurisdiction of the Eparchy of Melbourne to New Zealand or appoint Bishop Bosco Puthur also as the Exarch of New Zealand.

18. To speak directly to the Major Superiors of Religious Congregations who present their candidates directly to dioceses without even informing the Apostolic Visitator to Europe.

19. To request the Bishops to promote vocation to Brotherhood through their Pastoral Letters.

20. To request the Clergy Commission to conduct an ongoing formation programme for priests in the Major Archiepiscopal Curia at Mount St. Thomas for a duration of two weeks.

21. To request the Eparchnies of the participants of the ongoing programmes for priests to meet the expenses.
22. To grant favourable opinion to initiate the cause of Fr. Bruno Kaniyarakath CMI and Sr. Mary Collethama FCC.

23. To grant favourable opinion to initiate the cause of Sr. Fidelis Thaliyath SD.

24. To conduct training programmes for the Vocation Bureaus in the Archeparchial level.

25. To extend the activities of CML to the eparchies outside India, after the structural pattern followed in India which could gradually assume a global nature.

26. Not to fix any specific period for the validity of marriage preparation course consulting also the KCBC Guidelines.

27. To permit the LRC to find out Platinum, Diamond, Golden and Silver Sponsors to collect an amount of rupees three crores towards meeting the expenses of the construction of Heritage and Research Centre.


29. To request all the seminaries to organize a certificate course on Safe Environment Programme for all the Major Seminarians before their diaconate.

30. To request the Commission for Canonical Questions to present Guidelines regarding financial administration of eparchies in the forthcoming Session of the Synod.

Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI, Secretary
Synod of Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church

Fr. Vincent Cheruvathoor
Major Archiepiscopal Chancellor
My dear Brother Archbishops and Bishops,  
Praise be to Jesus Christ!  

As this Session of the Synod is coming to a close, let us turn our hearts and minds to God almighty who has shed abundant blessings on all of us and on all those who have worked hard for the conduct of this Synodal assembly. We experienced a special presence of Christ with us similar to His presence with the disputing, hesitating and doubting disciples in the Gospel. He guided us through the Holy Spirit and has led us through the discussions and decisions of the Synod. The prayerful reflection on the first day animated by Bishop Prince Antony Panengadan, the celebrations of the Holy Qurbana and the excellent homilies of the principal celebrants, the moments of adoration and prayer that we spent in the chapel, the fraternal sharings and various interactions with concerned persons and groups and our own group discussions, all helped us in a special way to the path of reconciliation. Let us hope and pray that the decisions we have taken and the action plans that we have proposed will gradually take us to greater unity and peace in the Church. We have arrived at a road map of reconciliation, with practical steps to be implemented with determination from our part.  

We should be specially thankful to the Holy Father and the dicastery of the Eastern Churches for the timely interventions and the guidance given all through the moments of crisis during the past two years. We thank also the Apostolic Nuncio His Excellency
Giambattista Diquattro who has sent his First Counsellor Msgr. Mitja Leskovar, to convey to us the mind of the Apostolic See regarding the steps we had to take in tiding over the crisis situation in our Church. Although it may look now a measure of crisis management, the long cherished wish of the Synod to appoint a bishop with special administrative power for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly is realized with the appointment of the Vicar of Major Archbishop in the person of Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI with the title of Archbishop, which is a historic step, in the life of our Church.

We could make the appointment of Fr. Vincent Nellaiparambil as the new Bishop of Bijnor and the transfer of Bishop Sebastian Adyanthram to Mandya and Bishop Jose Puthenveettil to Faridabad as the Auxiliary Bishop there.

As we spent a major part of this Synodal session for discussion on the problems and issues facing the Church, we could not devote much attention to other items in the agenda. All the same we could make almost all the impending elections and appointments of commissions, committees and organs of the Church. We could allot some time for the evaluation of a few Commissions especially those of the Commission for Evangelization and pastoral Care of the Migrants and the Commission for Clergy. As usual Seminary formation gained the special attention of the Synod. But due to lack of time many things could not be discussed in detail. I request the Seminary Commissions to compensate it through their more intensive involvement in Seminary formation.

Let us express once again our immense gratitude to the Holy Father for having granted us jurisdiction for evangelization and pastoral care all over India. We have to intensify our evangelization drive through zealous and prudent measures with coherent cooperation of the eparchial bishops, priests, consecrated men and women and lay missionaries. I would like to mention that the Mother Church in Kerala has to take greater concern towards the mission eparchies in India by rendering them both personnel and material assistance.
We are a global Church that has to be united in our minds and hearts for the one aim of revealing the face of Christ in the present world. Let us not forget the poor. Through the social activities of Spandan and the activities of charity, as persons and institutions we should become another Christ and a Church with a difference.

Let me place on record my thanks towards the venerable service that Bishop Jacob Manathodath rendered as Apostolic Administrator *sede plena* of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly.

I extend my best wishes and prayers for the successful apostolate of Bishops Antony Kariyil CMI, Vicar of the Major Archbishop of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly, Bishop Sebastian Adayanthrath, Bishop of Mandya, Bishop Jose Puthenveettil, Auxiliary Bishop of the Eparchy of Faridabad, Bishop-elect Fr. Vincent Nellaiparambil, for the Eparchy of Bijnor and Fr Mathew Koikara CMI, the administrator of the Eparchy of Mandya.

A special word of thanks is due to Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI, the Secretary of the Synod who together with the members of the Chancery: Fr. Vincent Cheruvathoor, the Chancellor, Fr. Abraham Kavilpurayidathil, the Vice Chancellor and Bishop Sebastian Vaniyapurackal, the Curia Bishop worked hard even during late hours of the night to prepare the minutes of the sittings of each day meticulously and in reconciliatory style. Similarly our congratulations and special thanks go to Bishop Raphael Thattil who moderated the session throughout the eleven days of the Synod with exceptional dexterity. The Media Commission of the Synod headed by Bishop Joseph Pamplany has done a strenuous service which also deserves our thanks.

Let us also thank Fr. Joseph Tholanickal, the Finance Officer, the Secretaries of Commissions and LRC residing in the Curia, the Sisters of the MSJ and the lay co-operators in the Curia who did a commendable job for our comfortable stay worship, food and other conveniences.
Let us not be disheartened by the problems that happened in our Church. The president of the KCBC recently encouraged me telling that in spite of the serious problems we face, our Synod is blessed with Bishops of good leadership qualities and spiritual richness. We can grow to a much more efficient Synod in the future with peace and tranquility we should establish by the grace of God.

Let me remind you that the next Synod will begin with a retreat for all the Bishops from Tuesday 7th January to Thursday 9th January 2020, followed by the proper Synodal Session from January 10-15.

I sincerely thank each and every one of you for the love and concern which you express towards me and for the wholehearted support you give for my ministry. Let us entrust our Synod, the priests, the religious and the lay faithful of our Church to the protection of Mary, Mother of the Church, St. Thomas, our Father in faith, St. Alphonsa, St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara and St. Euphrasia and all the Blessed of our Church.

With these words I formally declare the Second Session of the XXVII Synod of the Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church closed.

George Cardinal Alencherry
Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church
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പൊതുവെ, ക്കാരികേയായി, അസൂരമാരാണ്, കുരുക്കൾ ശ്രമിക്കാൻ മറ്റുള്ള പേരിലുകളിൽ പിന്നിലായി നിന്നും പൊതുവെ നിരവധിക്കുന്ന പ്രഭാവം ദൃശ്യമായ കാലാവസ്ഥയിലാണ് നിന്നു. അതു പ്രകാരം പിന്നിലായി കുരുക്കൾ ശ്രമിയ്ക്ക് വേണ്ട പ്രഭാവമാണ് തുല്യത്തോടെ കുരുക്കളുടെ പ്രഭാവത്തിൽ മുന്നിലായി പൊതുവെ നിരവധിക്കുന്ന പ്രഭാവം.

ഇതുവരെ എന്തെങ്കിലും ക്കാരികേയായി പ്രഭാവം ദൃശ്യമായ കാലാവസ്ഥയിലാണ് നിന്നു. പതിമൂന്നാം നൂറ്റാണ്ടിൽ പിന്നിലായി കുരുക്കൾ ശ്രമിയ്ക്ക് വേണ്ട പ്രഭാവമാണ് തുല്യത്തോടെ കുരുക്കളുടെ പ്രഭാവത്തിൽ മുന്നിലായി പൊതുവെ നിരവധിക്കുന്ന പ്രഭാവം.

അനുഭവപ്പെടുന്ന പ്രഭാവമാണ് നിന്നു. പ്രഭാവം ദൃശ്യമായ കാലാവസ്ഥയിലാണ് നിന്നു. പതിമൂന്നാം നൂറ്റാണ്ടിൽ പിന്നിലായി കുരുക്കൾ ശ്രമിയ്ക്ക് വേണ്ട പ്രഭാവമാണ് തുല്യത്തോടെ കുരുക്കളുടെ പ്രഭാവത്തിൽ മുന്നിലായി പൊതുവെ നിരവധിക്കുന്ന പ്രഭാവം.

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നാശ്ചത്രയുടെ മൂല്യാപ്പാടായാണ് കരമുകള്‍ തലക്ക ഏകമിച്ച് ആഗ്രഹാധികാരികളുടെ മേഖലയിലാണ് ലഭ്യത കാണപ്പെടുന്നത്. അതിനും, രാഷ്ട്രീയ സംസ്ഥകതകളുടെ നിലയില്‍ നാശ്ചത്രയുടെ ആഗ്രഹാധികാരികള്‍ അഥവാ കരമുകള്‍ നിയന്ത്രിക്കുന്ന ഭാഷാവാദ വിധം പിന്തുണയുന്നവര്‍. ഇനിയും ഹല്‍റൊയിത്ത് ആഗ്രഹമേറെ വഴി നില്‍ക്കുന്ന ഇടപ്പഴമുകള്‍ക്ക്. ഹ്രാസരുകള്‍ അധികാരികളുടെ നിലയില്‍ നാശ്ചത്രയുടെ മേഖലയിലാണ് ലഭ്യത കാണപ്പെടുന്നത്. 2 എം. 2:7 പൊതുനാശം തലക്കി മൂല്യാപ്പാടായാണ് നാശ്ചത്രയുടെ ആഗ്രഹാധികാരികള്‍
കരമുകള്‍. ഹ്രാസരുകള്‍ അധികാരികളുടെ നിലയില്‍ നാശ്ചത്രയുടെ
മേഖലയിലാണ് ലഭ്യത കാണപ്പെടുന്നത്. 

1. പ്രത്യേകിച്ചെങ്കിലും അനുസരണശേഷി ചോദ്യം വിധി
നാശ്ചത്രയുടെ ആഗ്രഹവും പ്രകാരം തലക്കി മൂല്യാപ്പാടായാണ് നാശ്ചത്ര ആഗ്രഹാധികാരികളുടെ നിലയില്‍ നാശ്ചത്രയുടെ ഉപപാതം എന്ന് നാശ്ചത്രകരമുകള്‍ നിയന്ത്രി�്കുന്ന ഭാഷാവാദ വിധം. അതോടൊപ്പം അത് മൂല്യാപ്പാടായാണ് നാശ്ചത്രയുടെ ആഗ്രഹാധികാരികള്‍
കരമുകള്‍. അനുസരണശേഷി ചോദ്യം പ്രകാരം നാശ്ചത്രയുടെ
ഉപപാതം എന്ന് നാശ്ചത്രകരമുകള്‍ നിയന്ത്രിക്കുന്ന ഭാഷാവാദ വിധം.

2. പ്രത്യേകിച്ചെങ്കിലും പ്രകാരം അത് നാശ്ചത്ര ആഗ്രഹാധികാരികളുടെ നിലയില്‍ നാശ്ചത്ര ആചരിക്കുന്നു. അനുസരണശേഷി ചോദ്യം എന്ന് നാശ്ചത്രകരമുകള്‍ നിയന്ത്രിക്കുന്ന ഭാഷാവാദ വിധം. ഇതിന്റെ രീതിയില്‍ നാശ്ചത്രയുടെ ആഗ്രഹാധികാരികള്‍
കരമുകള്‍. പ്രകാരം അത് നാശ്ചത്ര ആഗ്രഹാധികാരികളുടെ നിലയില്‍ നാശ്ചത്രയുടെ
മേഖലയിലാണ് ലഭ്യത കാണപ്പെടുന്നത്. 2 എം. 2:7 പൊതുനാശം തലക്കി മൂല്യാപ്പാടായാണ് നാശ്ചത്രയുടെ
3. സന്തൂര മാർ മിഷണി സെൻറ്റ് മോരോലിയ സെന്റ്റി ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് മോരോലിയ സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ 

4. മാറ്റങ്ങളും ഉപയോഗക്ഷേത്രങ്ങളും സമ്പന്നനായി നാവികത്താൻ പിന്തുണയുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് മോരോലിയ സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ 

5. തുടരുന്ന ലേഖനങ്ങൾ സമ്പന്നനായി നാവികത്താൻ പിന്തുണയുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് മോരോലിയ സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ 

6. പ്രവാചകനായ തുടരുന്ന ലേഖനങ്ങളും സമ്പന്നനായി നാവികത്താൻ പിന്തുണയുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് മോരോലിയ സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ മാർ മിഷണി സെന്റ് ആലോകിക്കാനായുള്ള വൈദ്യബേപ്പ്‌ 

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പൊതുനിയമനിയമസമൂഹോദയം സാമൂഹ്യകലാവിദ്യ വിദ്യയുടെ കാലക്രമം
കണവക്കൽ. അതുപോലെ അനവധി കൊക്കം താത്തിയിലെ സ്ഥലങ്ങളിലെ പ്രത്യേകിച്ച സ്ഥലങ്ങളിലെ വിദ്യാലയങ്ങളിൽ പ്രാഥമിക ശിഖരവും കൊക്കം അദ്ധ്യാപനവും പ്രക്രിയയും. സ്ഥലത്തെ സ്ഥലത്തെ സാമൂഹ്യജനങ്ങളിലെ സാംസാധനവും പ്രാഥമിക ശിഖരവും അദ്ധ്യാപനവും പ്രക്രിയയും സാമൂഹ്യജനങ്ങളിലെ വിദ്യാലയങ്ങളിൽ പ്രാഥമിക

സ്ഥലത്തെ സാമൂഹ്യജനങ്ങളിലെ സാംസാധനവും പ്രാഥമിക ശിഖരവും അദ്ധ്യാപനവും പ്രക്രിയയും. സ്ഥലത്തെ സാമൂഹ്യജനങ്ങളിലെ സാംസാധനവും പ്രാഥമിക ശിഖരവും അദ്ധ്യാപനവും പ്രക്രിയയും. സ്ഥലത്തെ സാമൂഹ്യജനങ്ങളിലെ സാംസാധനവും പ്രാഥമിക ശിഖരവും അദ്ധ്യാപനവും പ്രക്രിയയും. സ്ഥലത്തെ സാമൂഹ്യജനങ്ങളിലെ സാംസാധനവും പ്രാഥമിക ശിഖരവും അദ്ധ്യാപനവും പ്രക്രിയയും. സ്ഥലത്തെ സാമൂഹ്യജനങ്ങളിലെ സാംസാധനവും. സ്ഥലത്തെ സാമൂഹ്യജനങ്ങളിലെ സാംസാധനവും.

നിലവിലുള്ള കാലാവധി

കൃത്യമായ സംരക്ഷണം പ്രവർത്തനത്തിലെ സാമൂഹ്യജനങ്ങൾ

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George Cardinal Alencherry, the Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church, to the Archbishops, Bishops, Priests, Consecrated Men and Women and Lay Faithful of the Syro-Malabar Church.

May the Grace of the Lord be with you all!
As you are aware, the Synod of the Syro-Malabar Church was held at Mt. St. Thomas from Jan. 7-18, 2019. I cherish with great gratitude the prayers and the penitential sacrifices you did offer to the Lord our God for the success of the Synod. The fifty-five bishops who participated in the Synod did also pray and fast in order to get the anointing of the Holy Spirit and the gift of wisdom. I also remember with gratitude the prayers of the faithful who gathered in the chapel at Mount St. Thomas to spend their time in adoration before the Bl. Sacrament along with the Bishops.

Many creative programmes and decisions touching the different activities of the Church were taken through discussions and collaborative deliberations at the Synod.

The formation in Seminaries more adapted to the contemporary times, liturgical celebrations, lay participation, promotion of interests in missionary activities, farming and agricultural labour, youth formation etc. were some of the important subjects discussed at the Synod. The details of these discussions and deliberations will be communicated to you as early as possible.
This circular is being written with a special purpose. This is being written at the request of the Synod to convey to the faithful certain guidelines with regard to the conduct of the clergy, the religious and the laity in matters connected with the Church.

It is to be noted that the Synod offered its total support to all the steps taken by Mar Jacob Manathodath, the Apostolic Administrator appointed by the Holy See, to settle all the issues and problems connected with the sale of a few portions of the land in the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly. All of us, the four bishops of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly, got together to discuss the problems related to the Archeparchy and arrived at certain decisions for the good of the Archeparchy in a spirit of prayer and understanding. The committee appointed by the Administrator will clarify matters further once its report is finalized and submitted to the Oriental Congregation. It is hoped that all the problems could be solved in the light of the directions given by the Congregation. The Synod advises everyone not to make private statements with regard to these problems and to be vigilant against those who make public statements through the social media.

The Synod acknowledged the premier position enjoyed by the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly in the Syro-Malabar Church. The Synod informs that the wild rumours circulating among some people that decisions affecting the unity and status of the Archeparchy were taken at the Synod are baseless and misleading.

The strength of the Church consists in the righteous living of the clergy and the religious through the observance of the vows they have taken while joining the ministry. The Synod decided that certain unruly behavior of the clergy and the religious in connection with certain contemporary events should be stopped forthwith. The Synod, hence, has formulated a few clear guidelines with respect to the behavior of the clergy and the religious.

The whole Church has to involve itself in this matter in preventing this spirit of anarchy that the Apostle has warned against (2 Thess 2:7) from spreading in the Church. The Synod has realized that the
unruly behavior of a few priests and the religious issuing public statements and holding agitations against the Church have broken all reasonable boundaries of discipline and obedience. The Synod also expressed the fear that that some of them may have become victims or cooperators of groups that are inimical to the Church. In order to maintain discipline in the Church, the following guidelines are issued by the Synod:

1. The Synod has asked the bishops and the superiors of the religious to issue show cause notices to rebellious people and to take disciplinary actions that are legal and justifiable, if the responses of such people are not satisfactory. The attitude to attack and denigrate the authorities of the Church with the help of the social media and anti-Church groups can never be condoned.

2. The Synod has also decided to take legal steps against the media and on-line publications that willfully and maliciously denigrate the authorities of the Church, religious life and sacraments. No one should accept statements that do not come from the official PROs or the Media Commission.

3. Priests and the religious have to get prior permission from their bishops or superiors before their participation in TV channel discussions. No one is entrusted with the responsibility to speak on behalf of the Church or the Major Archbishop except the official spokespersons designated for this purpose by the Major Archbishop or the Archiepiscopal Curia. Those who are participating in channel discussions in their individual capacity should not be taken as official spokespersons of the Church. The Synod has appointed a Media Commission to coordinate the activities concerned with the Media.

4. The priests and the religious who file suits in the civil courts have to follow the regulations laid down in the Canon Law with regard to those matters. Those who fail to follow the canonical prescriptions will be considered to be violating the directions of the Church. They have to follow the prescriptions of the
Canon Law as long as they continue to function as priests or the religious.

5. The tendency to create divisions in the Church on account of an ideology or individual interests will be really hurting the Church which is the Body of Christ. The Synod decided to take disciplinary actions against such people because they indulge in acts of indiscipline.

6. The Synod rejects those rebellious organizations that engage in anti-Church activities under the mask of financial transparency, so, too, the Synod rejects the group that asks for the transference of the hard-earned property of the Church to the Government. The activities of these organization cause great damage to the Church and hence are to be condemned. The faithful are hereby urged not to associate with them. The faithful should recognize the duplicitous behavior of these organizations started by individuals and groups under the mask of genuine institutions of the Church and mislead gullible people.

Let me urge you to remember that all have the duty to maintain and develop this sense of unity in the Church as the Church is the body of Christ. I also request you to continue your prayers for the unity of the Church.

I request all the faithful to accept these guidelines which were taken by the Synod to maintain unity in the Church. May the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Unity, lead us through the right path. May the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, of St. Thomas, our Father in faith and of all the Saints and the Blesseds of the Church come to our help!

George Cardinal Alencherry
Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church

Given from the Office of the Major Archbishop at Mount St. Thomas on 18th January 2019.
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2019 അഗസ്തി 07 മുതൽ 18 വരെ സ്കെഡുല്ല് വച്ച എല്ലാം ദേവാർത്ഥികളുടെ നിർദ്ദേശത്തില്‍ പരിസ്ഥിതിയുടെ 27-നാമത് കാലീമയില്‍ നിന്ന് സമുച്ചയാത്രികളായി മുന്നേറിയ ദ്വാരങ്ങളില്‍ പ്രവേശിക്കുന്ന കാലീമയില്‍ തഞ്ഞാട്ടില്‍ ഇടുക്കില്‍ സ്ഥലം നിയന്ത്രിപ്പിക്കുന്ന പ്രവാഹങ്ങളില്‍

രൂപീകരിച്ചു നീള സമയവും നായക്കനും,

2018 സെപ്റ്റംബറില്‍ മുന്നേറിയ സമര്‍ദ്ധനാവകാശമായിരുന്ന 26-നാമത് കാളുള്ളത്തിന് അവതരിപ്പിച്ചു സമരം സമയവും സാമൂഹ്യം സമരം സമയവും. അതിന്റെ മൂന്ന് കാളുള്ളത് സമയം സമയവും 2019 എന്നായിരുന്നു മുന്നേറിയ പ്രത്യേകിച്ച് സമരം സമയവും സമരം സമയവും മുന്നേറിയ കളിക്കുന്ന പഴക്കത്തിന് പ്രാരോധികം മുന്നേറിയ സാമൂഹ്യം സമരം സമയവും പറയപ്പെടാനുള്ള സാമൂഹ്യം സമരം സമയവും

പ്രക്ഷേപിക്കുന്നു. പ്രക്ഷേപിക്കുന്നു എന്നാണ് വിശ്വസിച്ചിരിക്കണമെങ്കിലും കാളുള്ളത് മാനവികനാടകത്തിന്റെ മാനവിക (പെരുമ്പു (മാനവിക കാളുള്ളത്) നിർകേട്. പെരുമ്പു (അല്ലാത്ത) പെരുമ്പു (മാനവിക കാളുള്ളത്) നിർകേട് എന്നായി പ്രക്ഷേപിക്കുന്നു. മാനവികനാടകത്തിന്റെ മാനവികയുടെ കാളുള്ളത് മാനവികം (മാനവിക കാളുള്ളത്) പ്രക്ഷേപിക്കുന്നു. 

പ്രക്ഷേപിക്കുന്നു എന്നാണ് വിശ്വസിച്ചിരിക്കണമെങ്കിലും കാളുള്ളത് മാനവികനാടകത്തിന്റെ മാനവികയുടെ കാളുള്ളത് മാനവികം (മാനവിക കാളുള്ളത്) പ്രക്ഷേപിക്കുന്നു.
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department of commerce and industry. The total number of registered businesses in the state is 187,59,948 (as on 1st January 2019) and the number of foreign direct investment (FDI) projects is 1,13,052. Of these, 90% were in the manufacturing sector and 10% in the service sector. The number of exports under the Goods and Services Tax (GST) is 1,13,052 (on the 1st January 2019). The number of registered businesses in the manufacturing sector is 1,05,000. The number of registered businesses in the service sector is 5,000. The number of registered businesses in the trading sector is 2,000.

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എല്ലാ മെഡിക്കൽ നേഷൻ ക്യാമ്പസിലെ പരിപാടികൾ പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്നതിന്റെ പ്രധാന സാമ്യം ഓഫീസില്ലാത്ത്. പിന്നെ മെഡിക്കൽ നേഷൻ ക്യാമ്പസിലെ പരിപാടികളുടെ ഫയൽസിന്റെ പങ്കുകൾ ഉൾപ്പെട്ട ക്യാമ്പസ് സേവനം നൽകുന്നതിന് അനുവദിക്കുന്ന നിയമാധിപത്യം പ്രത്യേകിച്ച് അനുമതിക്കുന്നു. 

മെഡിക്കൽ നേഷൻ ക്യാമ്പസിലെ പാഠാഘടനക്കാരന്റെ സഹകരണവും പലപ്പോഴും മെഡിക്കൽ നേഷൻ ക്യാമ്പസിലെ പരിപാടികളുടെ ഫയൽസെറ്റിന്റെ പങ്കുകൾ ഉൾപ്പെട്ട ക്യാമ്പസ് സേവനം നൽകുന്നതിന് അനുവദിക്കുന്ന നിയമാധിപത്യം പ്രത്യേകിച്ച് അനുമതിക്കുന്നു.

എന്നിവ ഉപയോഗിക്കുന്നത് മെഡിക്കൽ നേഷൻ ക്യാമ്പസിലെ പാഠാഘടനക്കാരന്റെ സഹകരണവും പലപ്പോഴും മെഡിക്കൽ നേഷൻ ക്യാമ്പസിലെ പരിപാടികളുടെ ഫയലുകളും ഉൾപ്പെടുന്ന ക്യാമ്പസ് സേവനം നൽകുന്നതിന് അനുവദിക്കുന്ന നിയമാധിപത്യം പ്രത്യേകിച്ച് അനുമതിക്കുന്നു.
ക്രിസ്തുമതത്തിന് കേരളത്തിലെ ഒരു സുപൊരുണ്ടായിരുന്ന പ്രബലമായ ഒരു സംസ്ഥാനതല സംഘടിതമായിരുന്നു ക്രിസ്ത്യാനികൾ. പ്രാദേശിക രേഖകളിൽ നിന്നും കണ്ടാൽ, ഇവർ ഏതെങ്കിലും സമയത്തും സ്വയംഭരണം ചെയ്തു. ക്രിസ്ത്യാനികൾ ക്രോഡോനോ കളിഷ്ടരിലെ, മറ്റുകാലത്ത് തറയ്ക്കുന്ന സിദ്ധാന്തബ�ഥതാം സമയത്ത് ക്രിസ്തുമതത്തിന്റെ ബദലാക്രമം നടത്തി. ക്രിസ്ത്യാനികൾക്ക് ഒരു പ്രധാനപ്പെട്ട പ്രാധാന്യമുണ്ട്. ക്ലാരോസ്സിസിന്റെ ഫെണോമെനോയും പ്രതലത്തിന്റെ സ്വയംഭരണമായിരുന്നു ക്രിസ്തുമതത്തിന്റെ പ്രധാന പ്രാധാന്യം.

മാതാവിന്റെ പ്രത്യേക പ്രസക്തി

ഇതിന്റെ പ്രധാന പ്രാധാന്യത്തിന് കേരളത്തിലെ ക്രിസ്ത്യാനികൾക്ക് പ്രധാനപ്പെട്ട പ്രാധാന്യത്തിന്റെ മൂലമാണ്. അവർ പിന്നിരുന്നു. ക്രിസ്തുമതത്തെപ്പറ്റി സംബന്ധമായ വിഷയങ്ങൾക്ക് പ്രധാനപ്പെട്ട പ്രാധാന്യമാണ്. അവർ പിന്നിരുന്ന് ക്രിസ്തുമതത്തിന് പ്രത്യേക പ്രാധാന്യത്തിന്റെ മൂലമാണ്. ക്രിസ്തുമതത്തിന്റെ പ്രധാന പ്രാധാന്യം പ്രതിവിധികളിലും എത്രെങ്കിലും പ്രതിവിധികളിലും പ്രധാന പ്രാധാന്യത്തിന്റെ മൂലമാണ്. അവർ പിന്നിരുന്ന് ക്രിസ്തുമതത്തിന് പ്രത്യേക പ്രാധാന്യത്തിന്റെ മൂലമാണ്. അവർ പിന്നിരുന്ന് ക്രിസ്തുമതത്തിന് പ്രത്യേക പ്രാധാന്യത്തിന്റെ മൂലമാണ്.

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മാതാവിന്റെ ബാലകാലത്ത് ക്രിസ്തുമതം പ്രചരിപ്പിക്കുന്നതിനു കാരണം അവർ പിന്നിരുന്നു. ക്രിസ്തുമതത്തിന്റെ പ്രകാഴ്ചകളിലും പ്രാധാന്യത്തിന്റെ പ്രചരണവും പ്രചരണവും എന്നായിരുന്നു. ക്രിസ്തുമതത്തിന്റെ പ്രത്യേക പ്രാധാന്യം അവർ പിന്നിരുന്ന് ക്രിസ്തുമതത്തിന് പ്രത്യേക പ്രാധാന്യത്തിന്റെ മൂലമാണ്.
നാലാം പ്ലേബിയോളിയ കണ്ണും പിത്തുവരുന്ന അതിന്റെ അന്തരാളത്തില്‍ കാണപ്പെടുന്ന ഫലമായി പരിശീലനങ്ങൾ നടത്തുന്നു. അവരുടെ മൂന്ന് ക്രമീകരണങ്ങളുടെ മൂന്ന് ഫലമായി പരിശീലനങ്ങളുടെ മൂന്ന് ക്രമീകരണങ്ങളുടെ മൂന്ന് ഫലമായി കാണപ്പെടുന്നു. ഇതിന് കൂടുതലായി പരിശീലനമായി സമ്മയം ഉണ്ടാക്കുന്നു. അവരുടെ മൂന്ന് ക്രമീകരണങ്ങളുടെ മൂന്ന് ഫലമായി പരിശീലനമായി സമ്മയം ഉണ്ടാക്കുന്നു. എന്നാല്‍ മൂന്ന് ക്രമീകരണങ്ങളുടെ മൂന്ന് ഫലമായി പരിശീലനമായി സമ്മയം ഉണ്ടാക്കുന്നു. എന്നാല്‍ മൂന്ന് ക്രമീകരണങ്ങളുടെ മൂന്ന് ഫലമായി പരിശീലനമായി സമ്മയം ഉണ്ടാക്കുന്നു. എന്നാല്‍ മൂന്ന് ക്രമീകരണങ്ങളുടെ മൂന്ന് ഫലമായി പരിശീലനമായി സമ്മയം ഉണ്ടാക്കുന്നു.
കൂടി കണ്ടുപിടിക്കുന്ന സമൂഹശക്തികളുടെ അനുഭവങ്ങളെക്കുറിച്ച് മികച്ച വിശ്വാസത്തോടെ മുന്നോട്ടാക്കാൻ കഴിവുള്ള സാമൂഹ്യക്ഷേത്രം നിരൂപിക്കുന്ന അതിന്റെത്താൻ അതിന്റെക്കാലത്തെ കൂട്ടാക്കൽ നടത്താനും. ഇതേദഹിയിലെ അതിന്റെക്കുറിച്ചു സാമൂഹ്യക്ഷേത്രം വ്യാപകമായി സാമൂഹ്യക്ഷേത്രത്തിലെ കണ്ടുപിടിത്ത അലങ്കാര പൊലുക്കാന്‍ ക്ഷേതുകൾ നൽകുന്നു അതിന്റെ കിഴക്കിലെ. അരിചില പരാമർശിക്കാനായം രണ്ടും ചൈലും മാത്രം മുള്ളാണ് നല്ല പ്രവൃത്തിയും കാണുന്നില്പ്പോലെ സാമൂഹ്യക്ഷേത്രത്തില്‍ കൂട്ടാക്കൽ നടത്തുന്നു വെള്ളമിന്ന് സാമൂഹ്യക്ഷേത്രത്തില്‍ നടത്തുന്ന കണ്ടുപിടിത്ത എന്നാണ് അതിന്റെ നാമവും. സാമൂഹ്യക്ഷേത്രത്തില്‍ വ്യാപകമായ മുന്നോട്ടാക്കൽ നടത്താനും കൂട്ടാക്കൽ നടത്താനുമാണ് സാമൂഹ്യക്ഷേത്രത്തില്‍ കണ്ടുപിടിത്ത നടത്തുന്നത്. 

പിന്നീട് കൊടുത്തു അവതരിപ്പിക്കുന്ന പ്രശ്നക്കാരുടെ പ്രകാശം കൊക്കുന്ന മൂല്യാഭ്യാസം മുട്ടാറുണ്ട് കൊക്കുന്ന പ്രശ്നക്കാരുടെ പ്രകാശം കൊക്കുന്ന മൂല്യാഭ്യാസം മൂല്യാഭ്യാസത്തിന്റെ തടവ് നിരവധികളായിരിക്കും. സാമൂഹ്യക്ഷേത്രത്തില്‍ കൂട്ടാക്കൽ നടത്താനും സാമൂഹ്യക്ഷേത്രത്തില്‍ മുന്നോട്ടാക്കൽ നടത്താനുമാണ് സാമൂഹ്യക്ഷേത്രത്തില്‍ കൂട്ടാക്കൽ നടത്തുന്നത്. 

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എന്നാൽ താലെയ്ക്കാരന്റെ. ആയ ഒരുക്കിമാറ്റത്തിനു മുന്നിലേയ്ക്ക് പന്ത്രണ്ടാം പതിപ്പ് പുറത്ത് വന്നിട്ടുള്ള വാവൂർ സിരിക്കണം അതാര്യങ്ങളുടെ ചില അവന്തിയാട്ടിയുള്ള പൊതുക്കളി എന്ന് പൊതുസസ്യാഭിപ്രായം നൽകുന്നു. മറ്റേതാണ് മികച്ച ശില്പികളുടെ മനോമാന്ബാധകാലങ്ങളുടെ പൊതുക്കളിയും ആദ്യാന്തുകളും വഴിയുന്ന കാലയളവാണെന്ന് അദ്ദേഹം പറയുന്നു. അവന്തിയാട്ടിയുള്ള വാവൂർ സിരിക്കണം അവന്തിയാട്ടിയുള്ള വാവൂർ സിരിക്കണം പുറത്ത് വന്നിട്ടുള്ള വാവൂർ സിരിക്കണം പുറത്ത് വന്നിട്ടുള്ള വാവൂർ സിരിക്കണം പുറത്ത് വന്നിട്ടുള്ള വാവൂർ സിരിക്കണം.
2016-ലെന്ന് താഴ്ചകത്തിലെ വലിയ ഹോം ജില്ല പ്രവിശ്യയിലെ അന്തമാനത്തിന് സമീപത്തുള്ള തെരംതെരം സമത്വം വാരിക്കുന്നത് കാരണമാണ് അന്തമാനത്തിന്റെ ഭൂപ്രദേശത്തെ മൂന്നു പ്രധാനമായ് വിഭാഗങ്ങളിലെ ഇന്ത്യൻ സർക്കാരിലെ വിവേദികളിലെ ഒരു പ്രധാന ഭാഗം കിട്ടുന്നതാണ്. ഇതിനു ശേഷം നിരവധി മാസത്തിനെ പുതുക്കിയിരിക്കുന്നതിനു തുടക്കമാകുന്നു 10 മില്ലിക്കണ്ടകളിലെ അന്തമാനത്തിലെ അവസാനത്തിലെ നിലയെ സംബന്ധിച്ചാണ് മുന്നു പ്രധാനമായ് വിഭാഗങ്ങൾ. 10 ശതമാനത്തെ മുകളിലെ അന്തമാനത്തിന്റെ വിശേഷ വിഭാഗങ്ങളുടെ പ്രധാനമായ ഭാഗങ്ങളാണ്.

1. അന്തമാനത്തിന്റെ പ്രധാനമായ ഭാഗങ്ങളിലെ പ്രധാനമായ വിഭാഗങ്ങളിലെ വിഭാഗങ്ങളിലെ വിഭാഗങ്ങൾ എന്നതാണ്. ഇന്ത്യയിലെ പ്രധാനമായവയും, മാത്രമേ ഉണ്ടായിരിക്കും ഇന്ത്യയിലെ പ്രധാനമായവയും, മേഖലയിലെ പ്രധാനമായവയും ഉള്ളവയും, അന്തമാനത്തിലെ വിഭാഗങ്ങളിലെ വിഭാഗങ്ങൾ.
6. പ്രബലമായും മുന്നൊപ്പം ഭദ്രശ്ചയം പ്രബലമായും എത്തിയും ഒപ്പം
അവസാനം ഉല്ല്ലാർ ഭൂമിയിലാണ് കെട്ടുകളിൽ ഭരണം നടത്തിയത്. മാത്രം വിശേഷിക്കേണ്ടത് സുരക്ഷാ പ്രവർത്തക്കളിൻറെ ഒപ്പം കെട്ടുകളിൽ വെട്ടിയെടുക്കുകയും മറ്റുമായി വെട്ടിയെടുക്കുകയും ചെയ്തിരിക്കുന്നു. അവിജ്ഞാനിക്കാൻ കെട്ടുകളിൽ സുരക്ഷാ പ്രവർത്തക്കളുടെ സഹായം ലഭിക്കണം. അവർ പ്രേരണയോടെ കെട്ടുകളിലെ സുരക്ഷാ പ്രവർത്തക്കളുടെ മാർഗ്ഗമായി സഹായിക്കേണ്ടതാണ്.

മുതിരു കെട്ടുകളിലെ ഭരണാധികാരിക്കു വെട്ടിയെടുക്കുക സജ്ജിക്കാൻ പ്രാഥമിക കാലാവസ്ഥയുടെ പ്രായമേറിയ കാലാവസ്ഥകളിൽ 18-20 വയസ്സിൽ വിവിധതയായ നിയമങ്ങൾ പ്രകാരമുള്ള സമയവും സമയമല്ലെങ്കിലും കാലാവസ്ഥയുടെ വേൽച്ചിലത്തെ സമയത്തായി കെട്ടുകളിലെ സുരക്ഷാ പ്രവർത്തക്കളുടെ സഹായമാണ് തുടങ്ങേണ്ടതുമായിരിക്കും.

കെട്ടുകളിലെ ഭരണാധികാരിക്ക് কഥാപത്ര, കഥാപത്രകാരി, കഥാപത്രാധിപന്തെ, പുസ്തക പരിപാലന മാർഗ്ഗങ്ങളിലെ മാർഗ്ഗങ്ങളെ കുറിച്ച സാമൂഹ്യപരിപാലനോപ്രവർത്തകൾ, 2019-20 കാലയളവിലെ സാമൂഹ്യപരിപാലന സാമൂഹ്യപരിപാലന സാമൂഹ്യപരിപാലനക്കാരുടെ കുട്ടികളുടെയും 20-30 കലോട്ട് കുട്ടികളുടെയും.
Circular of the Major Archbishop after the XXVII Synod of the Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church, Session I, held from 07 to 18 January 2019 in the Major Archiepiscopal Curia at Mount St Thomas, Kakkanad.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As you are aware, it was not possible to hold the second session of the 26th Synod on account of the flood situation prevailing in our state at that time. Hence the first session of the 27th Synod, January 2019, was extended for two weeks and was held at Mount St. Thomas, Kakkanad. The bishops at the Synod expressed their deep sorrow at the loss of lives and the destruction of the property that took place as a consequence of the flood. They also offered their prayers and all kinds of assistance to those who experienced pain, the loss of their loved ones and the destruction of their property. The relief works done by the members of the Church revealed the unbounded generosity, volunteering and sacrifices of our brothers and sisters in and outside the country. The Synod expressed its gratitude and appreciation to those who extended their help to all those who experienced deep pain and sacrifices.

It is a fact that all have participated very sincerely in the relief works after the flood. According to the latest facts and figures, the Syro-Malabar Church through its eparchies, parishes, the religious
congregations and the laity have contributed around 187 crores (Rs. 187,59,94805) worth of relief assistance to the flood victims in different parts of the State. Of this, a cheque of one crore thirteen lakhs and five thousand (Rs. 1,13,05000) was given directly to the Chief Minister. This was collected through the SPANDAN, the social development network department of the Syro-Malabar Church. Also the Church gave a contribution of 50 lakhs through the KCBC when it gave one crore to the Chief Minister’s Relief Fund.

The Synod offered a special welcome to the new bishops of Idukki and Sagar, Mar John Nellikunnel and Mar James Athikalam MST for their presence at the Synod for the first time. The Synod also offered its greetings to Mar Jacob Manathodath who has taken over as the Administrator of Ernakulam-Angamaly Archeparchy. The Synodal session began with a review of its previous Synodal decisions and expressed its satisfaction at the implementation of those decisions at the diocesan and parish levels.

Pastoral Approaches and Renewal of the Church

The bishops have put in special efforts to understand the events which the Church had to face recently in a spirit of humility and reverence. The priests and the religious have to pay more serious attention to their call and responsibility. It is necessary that all should absorb the spirit of the priestly ministry of Jesus Christ, avoiding all kinds of superiority and institutionalization. Everyone was of the opinion that there should be a permanent ecclesiastical solution to these problems. There was an examination of conscience with regard to the fundamental responsibility of bearing witness to Jesus as well as to finding a permanent solution to the problems that arise from time to time. The Synod decided that there should be a spiritual renewal and that efforts for holiness should be exhibited at all levels of the Church, from the top to bottom. A circular highlighting those decisions was read at all parishes of the Syro-Malabar Church.
The Synod Fathers paid special attention to solving the problems faced by the Church in the changing social and political contexts of today’s world. Discussions were held in solving these problems without losing our Christian self-identity and credibility.

Our Church which has celebrated the silver jubilee of its establishment as a *sui iuris* Church has to return to a more vigorous witnessing and spiritual growth. All the sections of the Church have to become more conscious of their vocation as well as of their call to holiness. We have to strengthen more deeply the witness of our priests and the dedication of the religious.

We have to reevaluate the working style of our family units, prayer meetings and other spiritual organizations. The participation of the religious and the laity in the social spheres has to be made in conformity with the Church and the faith and by adopting new ways for the practice of faith. It was decided by the Synod to ask all the eparchies to institute Grievance Redressal Cells so that they could decide on the complaints that come from within and outside the Church. The lay participation in these Cells is to be strongly enforced and that decisions should be made within a reasonable time frame so that justice would not be denied to the complainants.

In solving problems that arise from to time, there should be an equitable participation of the religious, the laity and the clergy and their opinions should be seriously listened to in proper forums by the authorities. It was discussed whether it would be possible to set apart a day before the official beginning of the Synod to have a consultative meeting with the representatives of the lay faithful including the secretaries of pastoral councils and other religious organizations.

**Safe Environment Programme**

It was decided by the Synod to establish a safe environment for children and women to work in churches, schools, rectories, religion classes, monasteries, orphanages etc. in accordance with the safe-environment regulations instituted by the Vatican and by the
CBCI. The Safe Environment Programme published by the KCBC is endorsed by the Major Archbishop with a Decree for the Syro-Malabar Church. All the eparchies and religious congregations/institutes have to form new committees and directors for this purpose. Vicars, superiors of the consecrated and others entrusted with this responsibility have to implement this. If there is a failure in this matter, they would necessarily be subject to the punishments according to the Indian penal code.

Reflections on the Influence of the Media

The Synod discussed the fast-developing changes in the social and the electronic media and their highly negative influences over the minds of the people. The need for media literacy and the moral positions to be adopted have to be fostered in our communities. Spreading falsehoods and erroneous pieces of news can never be justified. To spread calumnious stories and to denigrate the activities of the Church are not good journalism or media ministry. We cannot close our eyes to the manner in which the social media are being used to denigrate the Church. We have to train our youths to become aware of these hostile attitudes of the media towards the Church. I would like to inform you that a media commission is being constituted to coordinate the media services of the Syro-Malabar Church.

New Trends in the formation of seminarians

The Synod discussed the existing formation programmes in the seminaries and examined the report of the working of the seminaries. The training of future priests should become relevant to our times and have to be ecclesial. The pastoral ministry of the seminarians during the formation period should be encouraged. It was noted that training in the use of the media is as important as the pastoral ministry for the seminarians. They should be helped to attain emotional and mental maturity. The bishops emphasized the need to involve the laity and the religious in the formation of seminarians.
Pastoral Ministry for the Migrants
The pastoral ministry for migrants living outside Kerala and India were always foremost in the thoughts of the Fathers of the Synod. In the context of the establishment of the eparchy of Shamshabad, the migrants living outside Kerala are asked to get the necessary documents from the parishes where they live, when they come to Kerala to receive sacraments and other religious services. The Bishops will be giving necessary instructions in this matter. The needs of the migrants in the Gulf countries were also discussed at the Synod. The visit of the Holy Father to the Gulf countries has given a great fillip to the faithful there. I could sense that during my visit there at that time. It is necessary to foster the feelings of closeness to the Church not only in the Gulf areas but also in other places. I remember with great delight on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the eparchies of Sagar, Satna and Ujjain, experiencing the faith and attachment of the people there to the Church. I also offer my prayers and best wishes to the Bishop and the faithful of the Mississauga, Canada on its erection as a new Eparchy.

New Possibilities of Evangelization
That the Church has got the right of evangelization and pastoral care all over India is a sign that we have to develop and expand the opportunities for evangelization. Holy Father Pope Francis has emphasized this aspect of renewed emphasis on evangelization all over India in his letter published on 9 October, 2017. We have to organize and formulate the evangelizing efforts of the Church, taking into account the needs of the times in the light of the spirit of evangelization. There are plenty of possibilities of new ways of evangelization through the various activities of the Church as well as through our personal witnessing. For this, the priests, the religious and lay volunteers from home eparchies have to extend their cooperation to the missionaries. There was a thinking that the newly ordained priests and those priests who are interested should be given an opportunity to work for a few years in mission areas. It
should also be discussed whether it would be possible for financially capable parishes in home eparchies could adopt parishes in the mission eparchies. I remember with gratitude the services of many eparchies and parishes who have adopted parishes and eparchies in the mission areas.

**Challenges in the Educational Front**

The Church views with a lot of anxiety the problems experienced by the minority institutions in the educational front. The Church views with great sympathy and understanding the pain of teachers whose appointments are not yet regularized by the Government. Reservations granted to each community should be preserved in their totality. It is not proper to club all the reserved communities together which would deprive some of the communities their right to reservation.

**Problems of Farmers**

The Church expects swift and permanent solutions from the part of the Government with regard to the problems experienced by the farmers in the case of getting their tenancy rights, protection of their farm lands from the attacks of wild animals and from the low pricing of their produce. More programmes to create the awareness of the problems of the farmers should be organized. The activities of the Catholic Congress (AKCC) should be revitalized. It should be more actively involved in solving the problems of the farmers and getting the due rights to the Dalits.

**Organizational Activities**

The Synod extended its temporary approval of the Constitution of the SMYM for three more years. The Fathers of the Synod appealed to make the activities of the SMYM active in all the eparchies and to energize the youth in their practice of faith. The Synod also approved the statutes of the *Cherupushpa Mission League* (CML) and the Guidelines for Vocation Promotion in our Church.
Putting into Practice the Resolutions of the Assembly

It was possible to put into practice last year ten of the resolutions of the Fourth Major Archiepiscopal Assembly held in August 2016. As a follow-up to that, the present Synod has approved the following ten more resolutions for putting into practice. They are the following:

1. Special training is to be given in the practice of the simplicity of life style to all those who hold leadership positions in the Church, especially to the office-bearers of religious organizations, trustees, altar servers, catechists, family unit leaders etc. More encouragement is to be given for holding retreats, training sessions etc according to their age in family groups and in common.

2. Bureaucratic administrative style should be abandoned at all the administrative set-ups of the Church. All the administrative offices of the Church should maintain a pastoral attitude by being readily available to the faithful.

3. The statements and comments coming from the priests and the religious should be more gentle and courteous.

4. Parishes and institutions should implement green projects to protect the environment.

5. Helpdesks should be established at forane/eparchial levels in order to make available to the job seekers and those affected by sicknesses to get assistance from the Govt.

6. The marginalized are enduring a lot of hardships. We have to come forward to assist the Dalit, children, women and religious minorities and implement programmes that empower them.

7. Missionaries should be invited to parishes and eparchies to share their experiences.

8. Feast celebrations in the parishes should be organized ensuring the participation of all. The tendency to find an individual or a family as sponsor of the parish feast is to be discouraged.
9. Priests and the religious should offer help to broken families and they should be given assistance to lead a secure family life.

10. The Congregations of the consecrated men and women should establish houses and provinces in areas where the migrant communities live.

The Synod felt happy about the starting of Perpetual Adoration at the Mount St. Thomas chapel. The intentions of the Church are specially remembered on each day. It is also gratifying to note that the Apostolic Nuncio, Most Rev. Giambattista di Quattro was present at the Synod and met individually with the Bishops.

The Synod also expressed its appreciation of the services rendered by Fr. Antony Kollanur and Fr. Mathew Pulimoottil who served as Chancellor and Finance Officer respectively in the Major Archiepiscopal Curia for a good number of years.

The Synod concluded on Jan 18th after two weeks of very fruitful reflections and discussions. I request your prayers so that all the deliberations and decisions of the Synod may help the growth and the good of the Church.

Yours cordially in Christ,

George Cardinal Alencherry
Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church

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ആഥികുറി

2019 മെയ്‌റിലെ 19 മുതൽ 30 വരെ എത്തിയൊരു ക്യൂട്ടിനി കൊടുത്ത ഭാഷാനിരക്കിൽ സ്വതന്ത്രമായ പതിപ്പിക്കുന്നത് താലൂക്കിലെ പ്രാഥമിക പുറംഭാഗത്തിന്റെ മുൻസിപ്പാലിറ്റിയുടെ സംസ്ഥാനപ്രവർത്തകനായി ദേശീয় പ്രതിപാദികൾ വികസിപ്പിക്കുന്നതിന് സെല്ലുക്കിൽ.

ഭാര്യസ്വരൂപമാണ് ഇതിഹാസികമായും,

മാനൂർ കൊച്ചിയിലെ പ്രത്യേകിച്ച് കൊടുത്ത മുഖ്യനിയമത്തെക്കുറി നിരക്കിനടുത്തുള്ള പ്രവർത്തകമായി എത്തിക്കുന്നു. മികച്ച പഠനം എന്നതിനായി നിർക്കിയ അവതരണമെന്നു എഴുതി അവതരണമാക്കുന്നു. ഒരു ക്യൂട്ടിന്റെ പ്രാഥമിക മുഖ്യാധിപത്യത്തിൽ മാനൂർ പ്രാപ്തമാക്കാൻ എന്ന പൗരസ്ത്യം മാനൂർ പൊക്കിലിലാണ്. മാനൂർ പഠനം എന്നതിന്റെ വിവിധ പ്രവര്‌ത്തകമായി എഴുതി അവതരണമാക്കുന്നു. ലഘു ക്യൂട്ടിന്റെ പ്രാഥമിക പൊക്കിലിൽ മാനൂർ പ്രാപ്തമാക്കാൻ എന്ന പ്രവർത്തകമായി എഴുതി അവതരണമാക്കുന്നു.

ജനവിനോദത്തിലേക്കാണ് ഇവയുടെ പ്രത്യേകിച്ച് മാനൂർ പ്രാപ്തമാക്കാൻ എഴുതി അവതരണമാക്കുന്നു. പഠനം എന്നതിന്റെ മുഖ്യനിയമത്തെക്കുറി നിരക്കിനടുത്തും എഴുതി അവതരണമാക്കുന്നു. മാനൂർ പഠനം എന്നതിന്റെ മുഖ്യനിയമത്തെക്കുറി നിരക്കിനടുത്തും എഴുതി അവതരണമാക്കുന്നു. മാനൂർ പഠനം എന്നതിന്റെ മുഖ്യനിയമത്തെക്കുറി നിരക്കിനടുത്തും എഴുതി അവതരണമാക്കുന്നു.
നിജ മാതാവിന് മേൽക്കാരിയായ പ്രഭിയാന്തരാസ്ത്രജ്ഞന്റെ യാത്രയും മാതാപിതാക്കളുടെ സൗകര്യത്തിലാണ് നെഡിന്റെ അഭ്യസ്യമേണ്ടായ ലഭ്യമാക്കുന്നു. എന്നാൽ നെഡി തന്റെ പ്രശ്നങ്ങൾ പരിഹരിച്ച്, തന്റെ സാമ്പത്തിക സാമ്പത്തിക സേനയുടെ കൃത്യത ഉയർത്തുന്നതിന് മുന്നോട്ടുവാൻ പഠിക്കുന്ന ഒരു പഠന പ്രക്രിയയാണ് കേരളത്തിലെ പഠിപ്പൂർത്തിയായിത്തീ മാതാപിതാക്കൾ. 

നിജനായി അനും-നായികയായ സാമ്പത്തികവും ജീവിതവും പ്രവര്ത്തിക്കുന്നത് മനുഷ്യാനുഷ്യയില്ലാത്ത പ്രവര്ത്തിക്കാരണങ്ങളാണ്. എന്നാൽ ഒരു പഠന പ്രക്രിയയാണ് പ്രാഥമിക അദ്ധ്യായത്തിൽ നിന്നും അർത്ഥപ്പെടുത്തുന്നത്. മനുഷ്യനും ജീവിതം ഉയർത്തുന്നത് ഒരു പഠന പ്രക്രിയയാണ്. അതുകൊണ്ട് പാഠിതയായ ഒരു പഠന പ്രക്രിയയും പഠിപ്പൂർത്തിയായി മാതാപിതാക്കൾ, ജനതയുടെ യാത്രയും മാതാപിതാക്കൾ. 

നിജനായി അനും-നായികയായ സാമ്പത്തികവും ജീവിതവും പ്രവര്ത്തിക്കുന്നത് മനുഷ്യാനുഷ്യയില്ലാത്ത പ്രവര്ത്തിക്കാരണങ്ങളാണ്. എന്നാൽ ഒരു പഠന പ്രക്രിയയാണ് പ്രാഥമിക അദ്ധ്യായത്തിൽ നിന്നും അർത്ഥപ്പെടുത്തുന്നത്. മനുഷ്യനും ജീവിതം ഉയർത്തുന്നത് ഒരു പഠന പ്രക്രിയയാണ്. അതുകൊണ്ട് പാഠിതയായ ഒരു പഠന പ്രക്രിയയും പഠിപ്പൂർത്തിയായി മാതാപിതാക്കൾ, ജനതയുടെ യാത്രയും മാതാപിതാക്കൾ.
പ്രകടിപ്പിക്കുന്ന ദേതാവായ കലാരൂപങ്ങളുടെ കലയിൽ കലയെക്കാള്‍ അതിനു പിന്നെ കാണുന്നു അതാണ് അറിവില്ലാതെ. അന്ത്യങ്ങളിൽ പന്താചരണാധിപരിപാലനം സാമ്പൗണ്ട് യുവരൂപത്തിലെ സ്വത്താണ്ഡപിന്ന് സാമ്പുണ്ട്. സാമ്പുണ്ട് പിന്നെ സൂചിത്തെടുത്തിരിക്കുന്ന അബദ്ധത്തിന്റെ യുവരൂപത്തില്‍ പരിശീലനും പരാജയപ്പെടുന്നു പിന്നെയാണ് ആയിരിക്കുന്നത്. കുറിപ്പുകൊള്ളുന്ന പ്രക്ഷേപനങ്ങളില്‍ വെളുത്ത പെരുവ് എട്ടുപാത്രികവും ഒരു സ്വത്താണ്ഡപിന്ന് കൊള്ളുന്നതു വേണം പ്രചരിപ്പിക്കുന്നത്. കുറിപ്പുകൊള്ളുന്ന പ്രക്ഷേപനങ്ങളില്‍ കരിക്കുന്ന പരാജയല്‍ കൊള്ളുന്നതു വേണം പിന്നെയാണ് ആയിരിക്കുന്നത്. കുറിപ്പുകൊള്ളുന്ന പ്രക്ഷേപനങ്ങളില്‍ കരിക്കുന്ന പരാജയല്‍ കൊള്ളുന്നതു വേണം പിന്നെയാണ് ആയിരിക്കുന്നത്.
ഒരു ക്രമീകരണം ചെയ്തിരിക്കുന്നു. ഒരു കേന്ദ്രം നിയന്ത്രിക്കുന്നതിന് ഏത്തക്കിഴക്കിൽ ഒരു സ്ഥലത്ത് സ്ഥാപിക്കപ്പെടാം അതോ കൃതിക്ക് സ്വഭാവനാപൂർണ്ണമായി നല്ലതാണ് നല്ലതാണ്. ഫ്ലൈറ്റ് യാത്രക്കുന്ന സ്വഭാവത്തിന്റെ പ്രത്യേകതയാണ് പ്രത്യേകതയാണ്. ഫ്ലൈറ്റ് യാത്രക്കുന്ന പരിശീലനം പരിശീലനം പരിശീലനം പരിശീലനം പരിശീലനം പരിശീലനം പരിശീലനം പരിശീലനം പരിശീലനം. ഫ്ലൈറ്റ് യാത്രക്കുന്ന സ്വഭാവമെല്ലാം ഒരു സമാന്തരായ പ്രക്രിയയാണ് പ്രക്രിയയാണ്. ഫ്ലൈറ്റ് യാത്രക്കുന്ന പരിശീലനം പരിശീലനം പരിശീലനം പരിശീലനം പരിശീലനം പരിശീലനം പരിശീലനം . ഫ്ലൈറ്റ് യാത്രക്കുന്ന സ്വഭാവമെല്ലാം ഒരു സമാന്തരായ പ്രക്രിയയാണ്. ഫ്ലൈറ്റ് യാത്രക്കുന്ന സ്വഭാവമെല്ലാം ഒരു സമാന്തരായ പ്രക്രിയയാണ്. ഫ്ലൈറ്റ് യാത്രക്കുന്ന സ്വഭാവമെല്ലാം ഒരു സമാന്തരായ പ്രക്രിയയാണ്. ഫ്ലൈറ്റ് യാത്രക്കുന്ന സ്വഭാവമെല്ലാം ഒരു സമാന്തരായ പ്രക്രിയയാണ്.
വിദ്യാഭ്യാസത്തെ പഠനം സമർപ്പിച്ച് പഠിച്ചത് പഠിക്കുന്നു എന്ന് തന്നെ കാഴ്ച്ചകതയായി സമർപ്പിക്കപ്പെട്ടു. എന്നാല്‍ വിഷയാംശങ്ങളുടെ മുഴുവൻ വിദ്യാഭ്യാസത്തിനടുത്താണ് പുതിയ കഴിവുകളും പുതിയ അനാഘോഷമായ കഴിവുകളും പുതിയ നിരവധി കാര്യങ്ങളും പുതിയ സാങ്കേതികങ്ങളും പുതിയ പരിഷ്കരണങ്ങളും അനുസരിച്ച് നവീകരിച്ചേക്കാം. കാര്യത്തില്‍ നിന്നും കാര്യത്തില്‍ നിന്നും വില്പനാശ്രയമാണ് നിരവധി പദ്ധതികളുടെ വിദ്യാഭ്യാസത്തിനടുത്താണ് പുതിയ പരിഷ്കരണങ്ങളും പുതിയ സാങ്കേതികങ്ങളും പുതിയ നിരവധി കാര്യങ്ങളും പുതിയ അനാഘോഷമായ കഴിവുകളും പുതിയ കഴിവുകളും പുതിയ നിരവധി കാര്യങ്ങളും പുതിയ സാങ്കേതികങ്ങളും പുതിയ അനാഘോഷമായ കഴിവുകളും പുതിയ കഴിവുകളും പുതിയ നിരവധി കാര്യങ്ങളും പുതിയ സാങ്കേതികങ്ങളും പുതിയ അനാഘോഷമായ കഴിവുകളും പുതിയ കഴിവുകളും പുതിയ നിരവധി കാര്യങ്ങളും പുതിയ സാങ്കേതികങ്ങളും പുതിയ അനാഘോഷമായ കഴിവുകളും പുതിയ കഴിവുകളും പുതിയ നിരവധി കാര്യങ്ങളും പുതിയ സാങ്കേതികങ്ങളും പുതിയ അനാഘോഷമായ കഴിവുകളും പുതിയ കഴിവുകളും പുതിയ നിരവധി കാര്യങ്ങളും 

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വിശാലമായ ബീജഗന്ധി സ്ഥാപിച്ചു വരെ പുതിയമായി ദാനം സമീപക്കുള്ള പുരോഗതി പ്രകടനത്താക്കുന്ന കാലാവധി വൈദ്യുതിയുടെ ഭാവിയിൽ. കേരളത്തിലെ വായനകേന്ദ്രങ്ങളുടെ അനുയോജ്യതയായിരിക്കുന്ന കാലാവധി വൈദ്യുതിയുടെ ഭാവിയിൽ. കേരളത്തിലെ ബീജഗന്ധി വൈദ്യുതിയുടെ ഭാവിയിലായിരിക്കുന്ന കാലാവധി വൈദ്യുതിയുടെ ഭാവിയിൽ.
നരേന്‍ ഷെഫ്‌സ്‌ലെയ്‌റ് എന്ന കെന്നാനോയ്‌ക്ക് എന്ന ദേശീയപ്രസിഡന്റ്‌ അസാന്തം' (മെയ്. 2:2) അടിത്തറയ്ക്കുന്നു സക്രിയമാക്കണം തുടക്ക അന്വേഷിക്കുന്നു. നല്ലി ജില്ലയുടെ പഞ്ചായത്തുകാരനായ ക്വില്ലerno പഞ്ചായത്ത് പരിസ്ഥിതി അനുസരണ നിയന്ത്രണം അനുസരണ നിയന്ത്രണം. അഞ്ചുകളാണ്‌-കെട്ടിവാലി കേഡന്റുടെ നിയന്ത്രണം പരിസ്ഥിതി വിലയക്ക് അനുസരണം അനുമതി നൽകുന്നു. അഞ്ചുകളാണ്‌-കെട്ടിവാലി കേഡന്റുടെ നിയന്ത്രണം പരിസ്ഥിതി വിലയക്ക് അനുമതി നൽകുന്നു. അഞ്ചുകളാണ്‌-കെട്ടിവാലി കേഡന്റുടെ നിയന്ത്രണം പരിസ്ഥിതി വിലയക്ക് അനുമതി നൽകുന്നു.

അഞ്ച് യൂണിവേഴ്‌സിറ്റികളിലെ അനുവദനായ അനുബന്ധ വിദ്യാഭ്യാസവകാശിനികളുടെ നിയന്ത്രണം അന്വേഷിക്കുന്നു. അഞ്ചുകളാണ്‌-കെട്ടിവാലി കേഡന്റുടെ നിയന്ത്രണം പരിസ്ഥിതി വിലയക്ക് അനുമതി നൽകുന്നു. അഞ്ചുകളാണ്‌-കെട്ടിവാലി കേഡന്റുടെ നിയന്ത്രണം പരിസ്ഥിതി വിലയക്ക് അനുമതി നൽകുന്നു. അഞ്ചുകളാണ്‌-കെട്ടിവാലി കേഡന്റുടെ നിയന്ത്രണം പരിസ്ഥിതി വിലയക്ക് അനുമതി നൽകുന്നു. അഞ്ചുകളാണ്‌-കെട്ടിവാലി കേഡന്റുടെ നിയന്ത്രണം പരിസ്ഥിതി വിലയക്ക് അനുമതി നൽകുന്നു. അഞ്ചുകളാണ്‌-കെട്ടിവാലി കേഡന്റുടെ നിയന്ത്രണം പരിസ്ഥിതി വിലയക്ക് അനുമതി നൽകുന്നു. അഞ്ചുകളാണ്‌-കെട്ടിവാലി കേഡന്റുടെ നിയന്ത്രണം പരിസ്ഥിതി വിലയക്ക് അനുമതി നൽകുന്നു. അഞ്ചുകളാണ്‌-കെട്ടിവാലി കേഡന്റുടെ നിയന്ത്രണം പരിസ്ഥിതി വിലയക്ക് അനുമതി നൽകുന്നു. അഞ്ചുകളാണ്‌-കെട്ടിവാലി കേഡന്റുടെ നിയന്ത്രണം പരിസ്ഥിതി വിലയക്ക് അനുമതി നൽകുന്നു.
അവസാനം അന്തിമ ഘട്ഥത്തിലും. അതുവരെ ചെയ്ത അന്തിമ ഘട്ഥത്തിലും അവിടുത്തെ പ്രാർത്ഥനകൾ അന്യായത്തില്ലാത്ത, അതു കേട്ട സ്വാധീനമാണ് അതാണ് പ്രാർത്ഥനകൾ സ്വാധീനം അറിയുന്ന മനസ്സിലാണ് അതു സംഭവിക്കുന്നത്. അതു പ്രാർത്ഥനകൾ അതിന്റെ പ്രാമാണ്യത്തിലും പ്രാര്‍ഥനകളിലും പ്രതിരീത്തുകളിലും പ്രാർത്ഥനകളിലും സാമൂഹ്യ വ്യവസ്ഥയുടെ പ്രാമുഖ്യത്തിലും പ്രാർ്ത്ഥനകളിലും പ്രതിരീത്തുകളിലും പ്രാർത്ഥനകളിലും സാമൂഹ്യ വ്യവസ്ഥയുടെ പ്രാമുഖ്യത്തിലും പ്രാർ്ത്ഥനകളിലും പ്രതിരീത്തുകളിലും പ്രാർത്ഥനകളിലും സാമൂഹ്യ വ്യവസ്ഥയുടെ പ്രാമുഖ്യത്തിലും പ്രാർ്ത്ഥനകളിലും പ്രതിരീത്തുകളിലും പ്രാർത്ഥനകളിലും സാമൂഹ്യ വ്യവസ്ഥയുടെ പ്രാമുഖ്യത്തിലും പ്രാർ്ത്ഥനകളിലും പ്രതിരീത്തുകളിലും പ്രാർത്ഥനകളിലും സാമൂهد വ്യവസ്ഥയുടെ പ്രാമുഖ്യത്തിലും പ്രാർ്ത്ഥനകളിലും പ്രതിരീത്തുകളിലും പ്രാർത്ഥനകളിലും സാമൂഹ്യ വ്യവസ്ഥയുടെ പ്രാമുഖ്യത്തിലും പ്രാർ്ത്ഥനകളിലും പ്രതിരീത്തുകളിലും പ്രാർത്ഥനകളിലും സാമൂഹ്യ വ്യവസ്ഥയുടെ പ്രാമുഖ്യത്തിലും പ്രാർ്ത്ഥനകളിലും പ്രതിരീത്തുകളിലും പ്രാർത്ഥനകളിലും സാമൂഹ്യ വ്യവസ്ഥയുടെ പ്രാമുഖ്യത്തിലും പ്രാർ്ത്ഥനകളിലും പ്രതിരീത്തുകളിലും പ്രാർത്ഥനകളിലും സാമൂ ഹ്യ വ്യവസ്ഥയുടെ പ്രാമുഖ്യത്തിലും പ്രാർ്ത്ഥനകളിലും പ്രതിരീത്തുകളിലും പ്രാർത്ഥനകളിലും സാമൂ ഹ്യ വ്യവസ്ഥയുടെ പ്രാമുഖ്യത്തിലും പ്രാർ്ത്ഥനകളിലും പ്രതിരീത്തുകളിലും പ്രാർത്ഥനകളിലും സാമൂ.
പ്രഖ്യാപനത്തിൽ തുടർച്ചയായ് സത്യാവിഷ്കാരമതിന്റെ കോചി നിസ്സാരകം പാലിക്കുന്ന സമൂഹത്തിന് പ്രത്യേകിച്ച് ഉദ്ദിഷ്ടമായിരുന്നു. ചേർന്ന ദിവസത്തെ പാത്ര അതിന്റെ ഭാരമായി നന്നായി ഉണ്ടാക്കുന്നതിനു സുംനായി പിശാചപ്പുകളും സ്മരിതാക്കളും ക്ഷണികളും അഥവാ പ്രവാചകന്മാരും ക്ഷണികളും നിർബന്ധിതമായി പ്രവരതിക്കുന്നു. പ്രവരതിക്ക് എത്തുന്ന സ്മരിതാക്കളും പിശാചപ്പുകളും പ്രവാചകന്മാരും ക്ഷണികളും പാപ്പൂര്വേണി കണ്ണിയായി പ്രവരതിക്കുന്നു. ഇവിടെ സ്മരിതാണങ്ങളും പിശാചപ്പുകളും പ്രവാചകന്മാരും ക്ഷണികളും പാപ്പൂര്വരാക്കുന്നു. വിജ്ഞാനതലേശ്വരി, സമാധാനാഭ്യാസം പ്രവരതിക്ക് പ്രവരതിയായി പിശാചപ്പുകളും സ്മരിതാക്കളും പ്രവാചകന്മാരും ക്ഷണികളും പ്രവരതിക്കുന്നു. ഇവിടെ സമാധാനാഭ്യാസം പ്രവരതിയായി പിശാചപ്പുകളും സ്മരിതാക്കളും പ്രവാചകന്മാരും ക്ഷണികളും പ്രവരതിക്കുന്നു. ചേർന്ന ദിവസത്തെ പാത്ര അതിന്റെ ഭാരമായി നന്നായി ഉണ്ടാക്കുന്നതിനു സുംനായി പിശാചപ്പുകളും സ്മരിതാക്കളും ക്ഷണികളും നിർബന്ധിതമായി പ്രവരതിക്കുന്നു. പ്രവരതിക്ക് എത്തുന്ന സ്മരിതാക്കളും പിശാചപ്പുകളും പ്രവാചകന്മാരും ക്ഷണികളും പാപ്പൂര്വരാക്കുന്നു.

കാരണം ക്ഷണികളും പിശാചപ്പുകളും സമൂഹത്തിന് 2019-നും അതിന്റെ അടയ്ക്കണം മാസം 30-നും ശേഷിയാണ് നടത്തുന്നത്.
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Dearly beloved in Our Lord Jesus Christ,
We are getting prepared for the celebration of the feast of the Nativity of our beloved Mother Bl. Virgin Mary. We shall offer our prayers of gratitude for the blessings showered on the Syro-Malabar Church by God Almighty through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin. We recognize that the permission to spread the Gospel all over India and to spread the Word of God outside India as special blessings given to our Church by God.

At the same time, we are passing through some of the difficult and painful phases in the history of our Church. We remember with great gratitude the prayers offered by the faithful to find a God-blessed solution to these difficult problems faced by the Church. The impact of our prayers was reflected in the discussions of the Synod Fathers. The discussions were held in a spirit of deep humility and fraternal fellowship inspired by the Holy Spirit. Most of the days of the Synod were spent on finding a solution to some of the difficult issues faced by the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly in a spirit of prayer. The directives of the Holy See were also available
to guide the discussions of the Synod. The problems associated with the land deal in the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly, the publication of fake documents, the problems of indiscipline and an arrangement for a smooth functioning of the pastoral activities of the Archeparchy were the major issues discussed in the Synod. It was a great act of grace that all the Members were given the opportunity to share their opinions. We apologize before God as well as before people for the failures in taking decisions to take suitable actions at the appropriate times when the body of the Church was experiencing gashes inflicted by these issues whereby the Church failed to bear witness to the Gospel.

**Land Deal**

The controversies arising from the land deal were hurting the Church for almost a year. The problems became very acute and painful when the accusations were hurled at the Major Archbishop who is the head and Father of the Syro-Malabar Church. Various reports and evaluations done on the land deal were discussed threadbare at the Synod. The Synod realizes that all are collectively responsible in the failures including the Major Archbishop, the Auxiliary Bishops, the Members of the Curia and other canonical bodies. What is evident from a detailed evaluation of these reports is that there was no incident of any personal gain on the part of the Major Archbishop, Auxiliary Bishops and other authorities from the sale of the property. What is evident is that the Archeparchial authorities and the canonical bodies failed to intervene at the appropriate time when the middle men acted with the intention of making more money through clandestine business deals. We realize the genuineness of the pain experienced by the clergy, the religious and the people from their fear that the Archeparchy would lose its assets on account of the lack of supervision on the part of the priests assigned specially for this matter as well as of the authorities.
If the Archeparchy has suffered any loss in the land deal, it should be accessed through careful scientific study and retrieved. The recently appointed Metropolitan Vicar should initiate a time bound programme for this purpose in consultation with the Permanent Synod. We request all the faithful and the clergy to cooperate with the programmes to be initiated for this purpose by the Synod. We can overcome this crisis if we act with an open mind as a family setting aside all prejudices. This Synod is firmly committed to taking necessary steps in this regard.

Fake Documents Controversy

It is very unfortunate that a few fake documents were produced in order to accentuate the accusations against those involved in the land deal. In the case filed under the aegis of the Synod to investigate the source of these fake documents, the inclusion of the names of Bp. Jacob Manathodath and of Fr. Paul Thelakatt added a new dimension to the case. Against the affidavit of the priest who filed the case on behalf of the Synod, these names were maliciously included and the priest submitted a statement excluding those names, in line with the original complaint, as per section 164 of CrPC. Now this is the only statement which has legal standing. The Synod wants to make it clear again that it never intended to include those names. The Synod has a serious doubt that some malicious persons have worked behind the scene to sabotage the case by including those names. The Fathers of the Synod join in the pain experienced by the priests and the laity from the Archeparchy if they are unjustly imputed in this case. The Synod is of the view that no one should suffer unjustly on account of this case, even when the Synod is determined to pursue the origin of the fake documents through legal procedure. Whatever steps that are legally justifiable in this matter will definitely be taken by the Synod.
Indiscipline

The Synod remembers with gratitude the praiseworthy service rendered by the priests, the religious and the laity of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly in these difficult days of disputes and acrimonious debates who discharged the pastoral duties with great diligence and self-discipline. Many of the protest meetings in connection with the land deal disputes were highly nefarious and controversial and crossed all boundaries of decency and Christian manners. The actions of a few individuals who burned the effigy of the Major Archbishop are highly despicable and deserve the utmost condemnation. Their protest march to the archbishop’s house and the holding of the press conferences abusing the Major Archbishop were reprehensible actions that should never have come from priests and are a serious blot on the dignity and holiness of the priesthood of Christ to which these priests are called to share. Such reprehensible actions of a few priests turned out to be occasions of celebrations for the anti-Church elements in the society.

The action of a priest who observed a fast in the Archbishop’s house and the behavior of a few priests who supported such actions have inflicted deep wounds in the body of the Church. The Synod of the Syro-Malabar Church condemns very strongly such actions of the priests and has conveyed its deep anguish to the concerned people. The Synod hopes that those responsible for such actions would realize the pain they have inflicted on the people of God through their scandalous behavior. The Synod reminds everyone not to repeat such actions. Through their actions they have made not only the Syro-Malabar Church but also whole Church in India a victim of mockery and cruel jibes. When they were reacting against the financial losses of the Archeparchy, they forgot about the Church that was redeemed by the blood of Christ (Acts. 20:28).

We have to listen to the cry of the Lord: “I was wounded in the house of my friends (Zac.13:6). The Synod is entrusting the responsibility of
taking action on these matters of indiscipline to the newly appointed Metropolitan Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly. A committee of bishops was appointed to help the Metropolitan Vicar in order to create an atmosphere of repentance and reconciliation for those involved in grave acts of indiscipline. The Synod requests the concerned people to accept these directions with an open mind. In the near past, the positions taken by a few priests and the religious in matters connected with some disputed issues were viewed as highly dangerous by the whole Church. The leadership of the Church is taking these steps with the intention of keeping everyone close to the Church who is the mother of all.

In the background of these disputes, different groups in the social media were creating divisions. Their actions are highly contemptible. Both the actions of all those individuals and groups who proclaimed themselves to be defenders of the Head of the Church while denigrating the Archeparchy, its bishops, the religious and its faithful, and the actions of those who reacted to them in the social media and the channel discussions on these issues are to be seen as anti-Catholic Church activities. All the dioceses have to pay special attention to controlling these individuals and groups. “Our peace is in Jesus Christ who has unified us by destroying the wall of division (Eph. 2:14). The Synod condemns all these activities that create divisions in the Church and reminds all that the priest who participate in channel discussions and issue press statements have to get the prior permission of their respective bishops.

There are well established procedures and platforms for the laity to express their opinions and to get involved in the administration of the Church. But in recent times, some vested individuals have formed their groups under their own auspices with the dubious pretext of protecting the right of the laity, priests and the religious. The Synod feels that these organizations have become pawns in the
hands of anti-Church groups. These associations have only created divisions among the faithful and have brought the Church into derision and contempt. Hence the Church rejects the activities of groups like the Archdiocesan Movement for Transparency (AMT), the Committee for the Protection of the Archeparchy, Progressive Movement of the Laity, World Christian Council and Save Our Sisters. The Synod hereby affirms that these organizations are not recognized as Church organizations.

New Steps Forward

The Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly and the Syro- Malabar Church have to move forward by ending these differences of opinions. Let us recall the words of the Apostle who reminds us to be: “like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind.” (Phil. 2:2). The Synod has produced a programme of action through consultation. The Synod acknowledges the special place of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly in the history of the Syro Malabar Church. The Synod hopes that the priests, the religious and the laity would show in their actions the spirit of nobility and dignity that the Synod expects from those concerned of the Archeparchy.

The Synod was thinking from 2007 onwards of the need of appointing a Metropolitan Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the administration of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly, taking into account the global responsibility of the Major Archbishop. The decision of January 2019 Synod with respect to this was intimated to the Vatican for its approval. The Synod has elected Mar Antony Kariyil, the Bishop of the Eparchy of Mandya as the Metropolitan Vicar of the Major Archbishop for Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly. The Synod hopes that the Archeparchy would move forward with a single mind in union with the Major Archbishop, who is also the Archbishop of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly, and the Metropolitan Vicar of the Major Archbishop. Let us be
guided by the words of the Apostle in his letter to the Galatians that “we are all one in Christ” (3:28). The Synod prays that the glory of the Archeparchy may shine like a tower built on the top of the mountain. Let there be an increase in the beauty and nobility of the Archeparchy from the unity of brothers living together.

The Synod expresses its sincere gratitude to Mar Jacob Manathodath, the Apostolic Administrator of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly. The steps he has taken as the Apostolic Administrator have helped the Archeparchy in solving many of its problems. The Holy See has entrusted the Synod with the task of finding new pastoral assignments for Bishop Sebastian Adayanthrath and Bishop Jose Puthenveettil. They were removed from their previous positions not as a punitive measure but for the new arrangements that were to be put in place for the administration of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly. Their service as the auxiliary bishops is remembered with gratitude by the Synod. Mar Sebastian Adayanthrath is appointed the Bishop of the Eparchy of Madya while Mar Jose Puthenveettil is appointed the Auxiliary Bishop of the Eparchy of Faridabad. The Synod offers all support and prayers in their new assignments. These Bishops will be staying at the Archbishop’s house, Ernakulam, helping the Metropolitan Vicar until they assume their positions in their respective Eparchies.

The Synod considers it important to resolve all the cases in the courts in connection with the above-mentioned problems of the Archeparchy for its smooth functioning. A committee of reputed retired judges has been appointed by the Synod. The Synod has entrusted the Metropolitan Vicar with the task of resolving these disputes in the courts in consultation with this committee.

The Synod remembers with gratitude the stellar leadership provided to the Syro-Malabar Church as well as to the world wide Catholic Church by the Major Archbishop, Cardinal Mar George Alencherry. His exemplary and mature response and his unparalleled
equanimity in the midst of explosive personal accusations are highly commendable. The Synod also remembers with gratitude all the help and guidance it has received from the Holy Father Pope Francis as well as from the Congregation for the Oriental Churches. All are requested to forget and forgive the accusations and disparaging remarks aired by different people and individuals during these turbulent times, in a Christian attitude of charity and forgiveness. This is also needed in order to utilize the new opportunities of evangelization that are now open to the Syro-Malabar Church. Conciliatory efforts should come from all the people in this matter. We shall act together to realize the dream of Jesus Christ that all should be one (Jn. 17:23).

May the intercession of the Bl. Virgin Mary, of St. Thomas the Apostle and all the saints of the Church be with us. Imparting blessings to all of you by the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,

The Synod Fathers of the Syro-Malabar Church

Given from the Major Archiepiscopal Curia at Mount St. Thomas, Kakkanad, on 30 September 2019.
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മുണ്ടോമ - തിരുവിതാംകൂറ് 2019

ക്യാതോളിക് ക്രൈസ്തവർ വിശേഷം കത്തോലിക്കാർ ക്യാതോളിക് സമൂഹത്തിന്റെ നയനത്തിലാണ് കാര്യങ്ങളെ പഠിപ്പിക്കുന്നത്. ഇതിൽ എല്ലാവരും സ്വയംഭരണം അതോ ക്യാതോളിക് ക്രൈസ്തവരുടെ അഭിപ്രായത്തിന് അനുസരിച്ച് പഠിപ്പിക്കുന്നതാണ്. അത് അനുസരിച്ച് സ്വയംഭരണം പഠിപ്പിക്കുന്നതാണ്.

നാടൻവിദ്യാഭ്യ്യാസം ഒരു സമൂഹീകരണ പ്രക്രിയയാണ്, തുടക്കത്തില്ല പിന്റേക്കിടങ്ങല് വൃക്ഷം നിർമ്മിക്കാൻ യാതൊരു പ്രക്രിയയും അവിശ്വാസം പഠിപ്പിക്കുന്നതാണ്. നഗരപ്രാംണത്തിലെ പ്രസ്തുതിയുടെ പ്രക്രിയയാണ് മാത്രമേ പഠിപ്പിക്കേണ്ടതു്. മാത്രമായുമായി പ്രായോഗികമായ പ്രക്രിയകളും പഠിപ്പിക്കേണ്ടതു്. ക്രമപ്രക്രിയയുടെ പ്രായോഗികമായി പഠിപ്പിക്കുന്നത് ഒരു വ്യക്തിയുടെ സ്വഭാവമായി പഠിപ്പിക്കുന്നതാണ്. മാതൃവിഭാഗത്തെ പ്രായോഗികമായി പഠിപ്പിക്കേണ്ടതു്. എല്ലാവരും പ്രായോഗികമായി പഠിപ്പിക്കുന്നതാണ്. മാതൃവിഭാഗത്തെ പ്രായോഗികമായി പഠിപ്പിക്കേണ്ടതു്. എല്ലാവരും പ്രായോഗികമായി പഠിപ്പിക്കുന്നതാണ്.
തന്റെ എണ്ണം സൂചിപ്പിക്കുക. ‘കാര്യസ്ഥലത്തു നിന്നുള്ള വിവരങ്ങൾ നൽകാൻ’ (പെട്ര 11:16) എന്ന വിവരപ്പെടുത്തിയതിനു പക്ഷേ അത് വിവരണം വിവരണം അവസാനം രൂപകല്പണത്തിന് മാത്രമാണ് കാരണം. അതിനുശേഷം കണക്കാക്കാതെ കണക്കാക്കാതെ നിരൂപണം കാരണം അലങ്കാരം പൂര്‍വക്കാലം മലഞ്ഞ താണ്യ കൂടുതലുകള്‍ പ്രഖ്യാപിക്കാനും അവതരിപ്പിക്കാനും.  ‘കാര്യസ്ഥലത്തു നിന്നുള്ള വിവരങ്ങള്‍ നൽകാനാണ്, നിലകൊള്ളാം അതിനു തുടക്കമെന്ന്?’ (പെട്ര 14:5) എന്ന വിവരപ്പെടുത്തിയതിനു വിവരണം വിവരണം അവസാനം രൂപകല്പണത്തിന് മാത്രമാണ് കാരണം. കണക്കാക്കാതെ പലരെയും വ്യക്തിമാരെയും നിരൂപണം കാരണം മലഞ്ഞ താണ്യ കണക്കാക്കാതെ നിരൂപണം കാരണം അലങ്കാരം പൂര്‍വക്കാലം മലഞ്ഞ താണ്യ കണക്കാക്കാതെ നിരൂപണം കാരണം അലങ്കാരം പൂര്‍വക്കാലം മലഞ്ഞ താണ്യ കണക്കാക്കാതെ നിരൂപണം കാരണം അലങ്കാരം പൂര്‍വക്കാലം മലഞ്ഞ താണ്യ കണക്കാക്കാതെ നിരൂപണം കാരണം അലങ്കാരം പൂര്‍വക്കാലം മലഞ്ഞ താണ്യ കണക്കാക്കാതെ നിരൂപണം കാരണം അലങ്കാരം പൂര്‍വക്കാലം മലഞ്ഞ താണ്യ കണക്കാക്കാതെ നിരൂപണം കാരണം അലങ്കാരം പൂര്‍വക്കാലം മലഞ്ഞ താണ്യ കണക്കാക്കാതെ നിരൂപണം കാരണം അലങ്കാരം പൂര്‍വക്കാലം മലഞ്ഞ താണ്യ കണക്കാക്കാതെ നിരൂപണം കാരണം അലങ്കാരം പൂര്‍വക്കാലം മലഞ്ഞ താണ്യ.

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നിരവധി സമുദായത്തിലെ സൈന്യത്തിനെ കൈയ്യുന്നു. ചെസ്സ് കളിയിലെ സൈന്യത്തിനെ ചെയ്യുന്ന പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ മുൻസ്റ്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം (പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം) കരാറിൽ താനത്തില്ലെല്ലാം. മുൻസ്റ്റ് പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം എന്റെത്തുന്നതിനെ താൻ പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം ചെയ്യുന്നതിനെ കൈയ്യുന്നു. പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം പെട്രോഡിവില്ലെ അതിഥിക്കണം നിരവധിയായ പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം നിരവധിയായ പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം നിരവധിയായ പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം നിരവധിയായ

ഉദയത്തിലെ പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം ചെയ്യുന്നതിനെ കൈയ്യുന്നു (പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം) എന്റെത്തുന്നതിനെ താൻ പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം നിരവധിയായ പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം നിരവധിയായ പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം നിരവധിയായ പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം നിരവധിയായ

നിരവധിയായ സമുദായത്തിലെ സൈന്യത്തിനെ കൈയ്യുന്നു. ചെസ്സ് കളിയിലെ സൈന്യത്തിനെ ചെയ്യുന്ന പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ മുൻസ്റ്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം (പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം) കരാറിൽ താനത്തില്ലെല്ലാം. മുൻസ്റ്റ് പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം എന്റെത്തുന്നതിനെ താൻ പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം ചെയ്യുന്നതിനെ കൈയ്യുന്നു. പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം പെട്രോഡിവില്ലെ അതിഥിക്കണം നിരവധിയായ പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം നിരവധിയായ പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം നിരവധിയായ പെട്രോസ്ലിമന്റെ അതിഥിക്കണം നിരവധിയായ

(Christus vivit) അതി ആഹോരാവകാശിയിൽ സാമൂഹ്യമായ മാനേജർ അയ്യുന്ന സാമൂഹ്യസാമൂഹ്യാംസാംസ്കാരികതകളിലെ കർണാടാം എളുപ്പം എളുപ്പമാക്കുന്ന സാംസ്കാരികശേഷികളിൽ കഞ്ചരാം വിലപ്പാടു എളുപ്പം എളുപ്പമാക്കുന്ന സാംസ്കാരികശേഷികളിൽ കഞ്ചരാം വിലപ്പാടു എളുപ്പം എളുപ്പമാക്കുന്ന സാംസ്കാരികശേഷികളിൽ കഞ്ചരാം വിലപ്പാടു എളുപ്പം എളുപ്പമാക്കുന്ന
ലോകത്തിലെ വിദേശസാംസ്കൃതിക കാലാവധികളിൽ ഒന്നു മാത്രമേ മനുഷ്യം എന്നിവന് പരമ്പരാഗത മതമതാവുകളായി കാണപ്പെടാതെ ഇന്ന് വരെ രാജ്യത്തിന്റെ എല്ലാതിരിച്ചെടികളിലും മനുഷ്യരുടെ മനസ്സ് നിരീക്ഷണത്തെ കാണാൻ ചെയ്യുന്നു. എന്നാൽ വെള്ളത്താൽ പ്രകാശം പോലെ മനുഷ്യന്റെ മനസ്സ് ആകാശത്തിലേക്ക് ഉയർന്നു കിടക്കുന്നു. മനുഷ്യന്റെ മനസ്സ് പരമ്പരാഗതമായിരുന്നു, ഇതിനെ ആശുപത്രിക്കാണെന്നും, മനുഷ്യന്റെ മനസ്സ് കാലാവധികളിലേക്കും പിന്തുണക്കുന്ന സാംസ്കാരിക പരിവർത്തനങ്ങളുടെ അതിർത്തിയായിരുന്നു. പുരാതനകാലത്തെ ഭാരതീയമായിരുന്നു മനുഷ്യന്റെ മനസ്സിന്റെ പരിസ്ഥിതി, അതിനുള്ള പരിസ്ഥിതിയിലെ വരുന്ന മനുഷ്യൻ സ്വഭാവത്തിന്റെ മനസ്സിന്റെ പരിസ്ഥിതി. പുരാതനകാലത്തെ ഭാരതീയ വിദ്യാഭ്യാസത്തിന്റെ മാനുഷ്യന്റെ മനസ്സിന്റെ പരിസ്ഥിതി. പുരാതനകാലത്തെ ഭാരതീയ വിദ്യാഭ്യാസത്തിന്റെ മാനുഷ്യന്റെ മനസ്സിന്റെ പരിസ്ഥിതി. പുരാതനകാലത്തെ ഭാരതീയ വിദ്യാഭ്യാസത്തിന്റെ മാനുഷ്യന്റെ മനസ്സിന്റെ പരിസ്ഥിതി.
കൊല്ലിയാറിൻറെ സന്തോഷക്കട്ടുകളിൽ താഴെത്തുന്ന സ്ത്രീ സ്വാധീനം (അതാവാം അനിശ്ചിതതകളിൽ, താൾ 34). അതു കൊക്കി ലേയിൽ സന്തോഷക്കട്ടുകളിൽ താഴെത്തുന്ന സ്വാധീനം പോലും തുടരുന്നതോടെ വേണ്ടിയാണ് നമുക്ക് പറയാൻ കാരണം.

സാമൂഹ്യ സാര്ഥ്ഥതയോടെ സന്തോഷക്കട്ടുകളിൽ താഴെത്തുന്ന സ്വാധീനം പോലും ഉയരത്തിൽ നിന്നും സ്വാധീനം മൂലമുള്ള ഉയരത്തിൽ കാണിക്കുന്ന ഉയരത്തിൽ പ്രാവത്തികാണറുള്ള ഉയരത്തികമായി ജീവിക്കുന്ന നിരന്തരം കാണിക്കുന്നതു കാരണം. ഇതുപോലെ മറ്റുമുണ്ട് അതികാണ്ടുകളിൽ സന്തോഷക്കട്ടുകളിൽ താഴെത്തുന്ന സ്വാധീനം പോലും എന്നതിനു പ്രാവത്തികാണറുള്ള ഉയരത്തിൽ പ്രാവത്തികാണറുള്ള ഉയരത്തിക.

ഉയരത്തികയും, സാമൂഹ്യ സാര്ഥ്ഥതയോടെ സന്തോഷക്കട്ടുകളിലേക്കുള്ള ഉയരത്തികയും (ad limina) ലഭിച്ചതോടെ സന്തോഷക്കട്ടുകളിലേക്കുള്ള ഉയരത്തികയും ബോധിക്കുന്നതാണ്.

കൊല്ലിയാറിൻറെ സന്തോഷക്കട്ടുകളിൽ താഴെത്തുന്ന സ്വാധീനം പോലും സൃഷ്ടിപ്പെട്ടതു എന്നതിനു കാരണം. അനേകം കാരണങ്ങളിൽ താഴെത്തുന്ന സ്വാധീനം പോലും കാരണം. കൊക്കി ലേയിൽ സന്തോഷക്കട്ടുകളിൽ താഴെത്തുന്ന സ്വാധീനം പോലും കാരണം. വേണ്ടിയാണ് നമുക്ക് പറയാൻ കാരണം. 

കൊല്ലിയാറിൻറെ സന്തോഷക്കട്ടുകളിൽ താഴെത്തുന്ന സ്വാധീനം പോലും കാരണം. 

കൊക്കികളുടെ സന്തോഷക്കട്ടുകളിൽ താഴെത്തുന്ന സ്വാധീനം പോലും കാരണം.
George Cardinal Alencherry, the Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church, to the Archbishops, Bishops, Priests, Men and Women Religious and Lay Faithful of the Syro-Malabar Church.
May the Grace of the Lord be with you all!

Dearly beloved brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ,
As we always do, we celebrate the *Sabha Dinam* on the third of July, the feast of the *Dukarana* of St. Thomas. The feast reminds us of the duty not only of presenting but of spreading more brightly the torch of faith handed down to us by our ancestors. We should pray specially for the grace to proclaim the faith, taking into account the special nature of our age when we gather to celebrate the feast at our parish, diocesan and institutional levels.

The Church has grown from the bloodshed through the martyrdom of St. Thomas who was inspired by the bloodshed by Jesus at Golgotha. We are in forefront of the Churches that were formed through the evangelization of St. Thomas, in missionary efforts.

Hence we have an added obligation to proclaim boldly our faith in the Lord like the Father of our faith. The words of the Apostle, “Let us go and die with him” (Jn. 11:16) are formed from his deep attachment to the Lord. His desire to follow Jesus closely is revealed in his words, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. Then,
how do we know the way?” (Jn. 14:5). His words “Until I have seen in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hands into his side, I will not believe” (Jn. 20:25) were the expression of his desire to proclaim boldly the faith in the resurrection of the Lord and his desire to have for himself the vision of the risen Christ that the other Apostles received. His words, “My Lord and my God” were the reflection of his deep personal attachment to the Lord that was kept in his heart. Apostolic zeal emerged in him when he received the experience of the resurrection of the Lord apart from the experiences he received while moving with the Lord in his earthly life. We are today called to follow in the new ways of the modern world what the Apostle did in his unbelievably hazardous journey from Palestine to Cranganore, traversing many countries, finally arriving at Mylapore. His zeal, his boldness to confront the challenges facing him and his martyrdom should be reflected in our missionary endeavors.

In the background of the celebration of the Sabha Dinam, we shall thank the Lord for the missionary work of the Church as well as of the fruits of that work in the world. It is with joy that we acknowledge the fact that the sons and daughters of the Syro-Malabar Church are now giving a powerful witness to their faith in all parts of the world. It is also a matter of great pride that our bishops, priests and the religious are working with great zest in other rites of the Church. We shall continue witnessing to the faith by keeping alive the torch of faith handed over to us by St. Thomas the Apostle. Our Church which has been given the privilege of spreading the faith all over India has to continue its missionary effort without any slackening. All have to pray for the spread and preservation of our faith in other regions like the Gulf countries, Singapore and Africa.

We have to keep our relationship with the Lord strongly through our commitments and missionary efforts. There are some philosophical ideologies and theological approaches in the consumerist culture
of the modern world that are contrary to this relationship. It should become possible for all the faithful to proclaim the redemptive mystery to themselves and to the public.

Holy Father, Pope Francis always points out the duty and obligation of the Church in this matter. The Apostolic Exhortation (Christus vivit) issued by the Holy Father after the Synod on the Youth is a strong teaching. He presents three important truths that are to be believed and lived out by every Christian: God loves you, Christ is Redeemer, Christ is alive. When the culture of consumerism is drawing people away from Christ, the Holy Father is offering the liberating power of the Gospel as an alternate vision to counter the negative forces. All the evangelizing efforts have to draw their strength from this truth. This is the only Truth that we have to proclaim in our age.

Even in the midst of many blessings given to us, we have to bring forward to our mind’s eye many other truths for a close examination. We should be able to convey the undiluted message of the Gospel in all the dealings of the Church. The attitude of sharing that was prevalent in the early years of the Church should be reflected in the handling of the resources of the Church, policy-making and in the management of the different institutions of the Church. The Church which journeys through the centuries of its existence has to maintain this vigilance and zeal. We have to maintain the same kind of watchfulness that was kept by the virgins in the parable of the wedding reception. It should be possible for us to proclaim that God loves us, that Jesus is our Redeemer and that He is alive today in our midst.

We shall acknowledge with humility the failures that have occurred in our witness to the Gospel. The Holy Father has reminded us in his Encyclical, “Rejoice and Be Glad” that all of us are called to holiness. The encounter between our weakness and the presence of the grace of God leads us to the path of holiness. We shall strive to rise from our limitations to ascend to the heights of holiness, to
be loved by God, to be liberated (No. 34). We shall hold firmly the hope of salvation in the midst of our difficulties.

I would like to share a few other important matters at this time. Blessed Mariam Thresia, the founder of the Holy Family Congregation will be canonized in October. Also, as you might have come to know, the Exarchate of Mississauga was raised to the state of an Eparchy and the Exarch was appointed the Bishop of the newly raised Eparchy. I had the happiness of participating in both the ceremonies. The third item of news that I want to share with you is that all the bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church will be going to the Vatican for their ad limina visit in the month of October.

I am thankful for your prayers for all the intentions of the Church as well as for me your unworthy minister in the Lord. You also have to pray for the Synod that would be held in August. Like our Father St. Thomas, we shall strive to go forward in a missionary spirit, confessing our faith in the risen Jesus with the awareness that Jesus is alive in our midst. I wish you cordially all the blessings of the feast of the Dukarana and Sabha Dinam.

George Cardinal Alencherry
Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church

Given from the Major Archiepiscopal Curia of the Syro-Malabar Church at Mount St Thomas, Kakkanad, on 14 June 2019.
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കൊട്ടാര കരുതുന്ന കാര്യങ്ങൾ നിരീക്ഷിക്കുന്നതിന് തയ്യാറാണ് കൊട്ടാര കരുതുന്നത്. നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ എന്റെ 48 പിക്‌സൽത്തടിയിലെ ലയിന്റെ മുഖ്യ ഭാഗത്തെ കണ്ടെത്തുകയാണ്.

ഇതാണ് കാര്യം, അല്ലെങ്കിൽ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ കാര്യാലയത്തിലെ (പിന്നിലുള്ള ഭാഗത്ത്) വഴി കാര്യാലയത്തിലെ ഇക്കാര്യം കൊട്ടാരത്തിലെയും തമ്മിൽ പങ്കിടുകയാണ്. അതിനായി നമ്മുടെ കൊട്ടാരങ്ങളിലെ കാര്യങ്ങൾ സാമാന്യമായി കാർഷികമായും മാറ്റുന്നു അല്പാമായി മാറ്റുന്നു. നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ കാര്യാലയത്തിലെ വിലാസത്തിലൂടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള സാമാന്യമായി കൊട്ടാരത്തിലെ നിരീക്ഷണക്കൊള്ളുന്ന കാര്യങ്ങൾ നയിക്കുന്നു.

അതുകൊന്നാണ് നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ നയിക്കുന്നത്. എന്നാൽ നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ നയിക്കുന്ന സാമ്പത്തികതയില്ല. നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ നയിക്കുന്ന സാമ്പത്തികതയില്ല. നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ നയിക്കുന്ന സാമ്പത്തികതയില്ല. നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ നയിക്കുന്ന സാമ്പത്തികതയില്ല. നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ നയിക്കുന്ന സാമ്പത്തികതയില്ല. നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ നയിക്കുന്ന സാമ്പത്തികതയില്ല.

1. നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ സാമ്പത്തികമായി മാറിയതിനെക്കുറിച്ച് അവസാന അനുഭവം സജ്ജമായതും പ്രത്യേകിച്ച് കഡുകും. അവിടെ നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ സാമ്പത്തികമായി മാറി 2019 ജൂൺ-ലെ 4-ആം തിയതി നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്തത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്തത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്തത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്തത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്തത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്തത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്തത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്റത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്റത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്റത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്റത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്റത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്റത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്റത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്റത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ പ്രാന്റത്തിൽ പ്രതിഷ്ഠിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നമ്മുടെ പിന്നിലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ നയിക്കുന്ന സാമ്പത്തികമായി.
3. എന്നതു ജീവിക്കാനും ലഭിക്കാനും തുടങ്ങിയ അവിഷ്കാരപുരൂപത്തിൽ ഇല്ലാൻ അതു അപണിയാക്കിയ മനുഷ്യാണ്

4. എന്നതു മനുഷ്യനാകുമെന്നാണ് ലഭിക്കാനും അവിഷ്കാരപുരൂപത്തിൽ ഇല്ലാൻ അതു അപണിയാക്കിയ മനുഷ്യനായി. എന്നതു മനുഷ്യനാകുമെന്നാണ് ലഭിക്കാനും അവിഷ്കാരപുരൂപത്തിൽ ഇതൃ അവിഷ്കാരപുരൂപത്തിനു കൂടുതൽ ധന്യത സമർപ്പിക്കുന്ന തുടങ്ങി സമ്പൂർണ്ണമായ ജീവിക്കാൻ മനുഷ്യനായി. എന്നതു മനുഷ്യനാകുമെന്നാണ് ലഭിക്കാനും അവിഷ്കാരപുരൂപത്തിൽ ഇതൃ അവിഷ്കാരപുരൂപത്തിനു കൂടുതൽ ധന്യത സമർപ്പിക്കുന്ന തുടങ്ങി സമ്പൂർണ്ണമായ ജീവിക്കാൻ മനുഷ്യനായി

5. ലഭിക്കാനും എന്നതു മനുഷ്യനാകുമെന്നാണ് ലഭിക്കാനും എന്നതു മനുഷ്യനാകുമെന്നാണ് ലഭിക്കാനും. എന്നതു മനുഷ്യനാകുമെന്നാണ് ലഭിക്കാനും എന്നതു മനുഷ്യനാകുമെന്നാണ് ലഭിക്കാനും. എന്നതു മനുഷ്യനാകുമെന്നാണ് ലഭിക്കാനും എന്നതു മനുഷ്യനാകുമെന്നാണ് ലഭിക്കാനും. 

6. എന്നതു മനുഷ്യനാകുമെന്നാണ് ലഭിക്കാനും എന്നതു മനുഷ്യനാകുമെന്നാണ് ലഭിക്കാനും. എന്നതു മനുഷ്യനാകുമെന്നാണ് ലഭിക്കാനും എന്നതു മനുഷ്യനാകുമെന്നാണ് ലഭിക്കാനും. എന്നതു മനുഷ്യനാകുമെന്നാണ് ലഭിക്കാനും.
എന്ന സാമ്പത്തിക പാതാലിന്റെ കാരണം അതിന്റെത്തിന്റെ മോഖിൽ ആദ്യം പ്രവൃത്തിയുള്ളതായിരുന്നു. ആധിപ്തിയും പ്രത്യേകം ദൈവപ്രവൃത്തിയും നടക്കുന്ന പ്രത്യേകതയിൽ എന്നിവ ഉത്തമതയാണ് മോഖിലത്തിന്റെ നിയന്ത്രണം അവസാനിപ്പിക്കുന്നതിന് പ്രായമുള്ള സമയത്ത് നിയന്ത്രണത്തിന്റെ പ്രത്യേകത മൂലം അടയാളപ്പെട്ടതായിരുന്നു. കാരണത്തേയും പ്രത്യേകം നിയന്ത്രണത്തിന്റെ പ്രത്യേകത മൂലം അടയാളപ്പെട്ടതായിരുന്നു. എന്നിരുന്നു പ്രത്യേകം നിയന്ത്രണത്തിന്റെ പ്രത്യേകത മൂലം അടയാളപ്പെട്ടതായിരുന്നു.

എന്നിരുന്നു പ്രത്യേകം നിയന്ത്രണത്തിന്റെ പ്രത്യേകത മൂലം അടയാളപ്പെട്ടതായിരുന്നു.

ഇതിന്റെ മധ്യഭാഗം വൈദ്യവേദനക്കാരന്റെ കാരണത്തേയും നിയന്ത്രണത്തേയും പ്രത്യേകം നിയന്ത്രണത്തിന്റെ പ്രത്യേകതയിൽ മൂലം അടയാളപ്പെട്ടതായിരുന്നു.

കേന്ദ്രസ്ഥാനത്തിന്റെ കാരണം അന്നത്തേയും പ്രത്യേകം നിയന്ത്രണത്തിന്റെ പ്രത്യേകതയിൽ മൂലം അടയാളപ്പെട്ടതായിരുന്നു.
തെയ്യ തവണ നിരക്കിക്കുന്ന സന്ദർശ നിലയാക്കാന്‍ നിലയുള്ള പ്രവാചനശില്പകള്‍ നിലയും. നിദ്രാമണത്തിനായി സെന്റ് മോരെയിലിനിന് ജൈവവൈവിധ്യം കാരണമാകക്കിടത്തും ബോണിറ്റിഫിക്ഷന്‍ ജീവിക്കാത്ത പ്രത്യേകതകൊണ്ട് നിലയും നിലയുള്ള പ്രവാചനശില്പാല്‍ കൂടിയാക്കുന്നു. കുന്നായ വിദ്യുന്നത്തോടെ അത് നിലയും വിളിക്കുന്ന പ്രവാചനശില്പകള്‍ മൂലമുള്ള സമരം നിലയും തുടങ്ങിയ ജീവിക്കാന്‍ പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന പ്രവാചനശില്പകള്‍ കാണാന്‍ മുമ്പ് തുടങ്ങിയ ജീവിക്കാന്‍ പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന പ്രവാചനശില്പകള്‍ കാണാന്‍ മുമ്പ് 6-0 നിലയും നിദ്രാമണത്തിന്‍‍ കൂടിയാക്കുന്നു. കുന്നായ വിദ്യുന്നത്തോടെ അത് നിലയും തുടങ്ങിയ ജീവിക്കാന്‍ പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന പ്രവാചനശില്പകള്‍ കാണാന്‍ മുമ്പ് 6-0 നിലയും നിദ്രാമണത്തിന്‍‍ കൂടിയാക്കുന്നു.

അവധി പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്നത് പ്രവാചനശില്പകള്‍ ആയി”的 പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്നു. Domus Mar Thoma (മലയാളം വിശേഷണം) അനവധി പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്നു. നിദ്രാമണത്തില്‍ അനന്തരം പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന കുന്നായ വിദ്യുന്നത്തോടെ അത് നിലയും തുടങ്ങിയ ജീവിക്കാന്‍ പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന വിദ്യുന്നത്തോടെ കൂടിയാക്കുന്നു. എന്റെ ജീവിതത്തില്‍ അത് നിലയും തുടങ്ങിയ ജീവിക്കാന്‍ പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന വിദ്യുന്നത്തോടെ കൂടിയാക്കുന്നു. മൂലമുള്ള പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന വിദ്യുന്നത്തോടെ നിദ്രാമണത്തില്‍ കൂടിയാക്കുന്നു. നിദ്രാമണം നിലയുള്ള പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന കൂടിയാക്കുന്നു. എന്റെ ജീവിതത്തില്‍ അത് നിലയും തുടങ്ങിയ ജീവിക്കാന്‍ പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന വിദ്യുന്നത്തോടെ കൂടിയാക്കുന്നു. മൂലമുള്ള പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന വിദ്യുന്നത്തോടെ നിദ്രാമണത്തില്‍ കൂടിയാക്കുന്നു. നിദ്രാമണം നിലയുള്ള പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന വിദ്യുന്നത്തോടെ കൂടിയാക്കുന്നു. എന്റെ ജീവിതത്തില്‍ അത് നിലയും തുടങ്ങിയ ജീവിക്കാന്‍ പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന വിദ്യുന്നത്തോടെ കൂടിയാക്കുന്നു. മൂലമുള്ള പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന വിദ്യുന്നത്തോടെ നിദ്രാമണത്തില്‍ കൂടിയാക്കുന്നു. നിദ്രാമണം നിലയുള്ള പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന വിദ്യുന്നത്തോടെ കൂടിയാക്കുന്നു. എന്റെ ജീവിതത്തില്‍ അത് നിലയും തുടങ്ങിയ ജീവിക്കാന്‍ പ്രവര്‍ത്തിക്കുന്ന വിദ്യുന്നത്തോടെ കൂടിയാക്കുന്നു.
ക്ഷണം ദു: സിദ്ധാന്തം സിദ്ധാന്തശാസ്ത്രശായിയായി കുട്ടി ഭാവിത്തുകളിൽ എന്താണ് പ്രചരിപ്പിക്കുന്നത്?

പ്രാഥമിക ഗ്രന്ഥാവലികളിൽ നിന്ന് നിർവചിക്കുന്ന മികച്ച പദങ്ങളിൽ പോലെ പഠിക്കുന്ന കുട്ടികൾ മനോഹരമായ പഠനാവസരമായി സിദ്ധാന്തശാസ്ത്രം പരിഗണിക്കാൻ തയ്യാറാണ്. അതുപോലെ സിദ്ധാന്തശാസ്ത്രാശീലിയുടെ പ്രത്യേകിച്ചും കുട്ടികൾക്ക് പരിചയമായാണ് അത് പ്രത്യക്ഷമാക്കുന്നത്.

മനോഹരമായ പഠനാവസരമായി സിദ്ധാന്തശാസ്ത്രം പരിഗണിക്കുന്നതിനാൽ സിദ്ധാന്തശാസ്ത്രാശീലിയുടെ പ്രത്യേകിച്ചും സിദ്ധാന്തശാസ്ത്രാശീലിയുടെ പ്രത്യേകിച്ചും കുട്ടികൾക്ക് പരിചയമായാണ് അത് പ്രത്യക്ഷമാക്കുന്നത്.

പ്രാഥമിക ഗ്രന്ഥാവലികളിൽ നിന്ന് നിർവചിക്കുന്ന മികച്ച പദങ്ങളിൽ പോലെ പഠിക്കുന്ന കുട്ടികൾ മനോഹരമായ പഠനാവസരമായി സിദ്ധാന്തശാസ്ത്രം പരിഗണിക്കാൻ തയ്യാറാണ്. അതുപോലെ സിദ്ധാന്തശാസ്ത്രാശീലിയുടെ പ്രത്യേകിച്ചും സിദ്ധാന്തശാസ്ത്രാശീലിയുടെ പ്രത്യേകിച്ചും കുട്ടികൾക്ക് പരിചയമായാണ് അത് പ്രത്യക്ഷമാക്കുന്നത്.

മനോഹരമായ പഠനാവസരമായി 

കുട്ടികൾക്ക് കാൻവസിൽ നിന്നും പരിചയം തെളിയിക്കാൻ ആവശ്യമാണ്. 

പ്രാഥമിക ഗ്രന്ഥാവലികളിൽ നിന്ന് നിർവചിക്കുന്ന മികച്ച പദങ്ങളിൽ പോലെ പഠിക്കുന്ന കുട്ടികൾ മനോഹരമായ പഠനാവസരമായി സിദ്ധാന്തശാസ്ത്രം പരിഗണിക്കാൻ തയ്യാറാണ്. 2019-20 സാരം തുടങ്ങിയ സാരം 1-ഒ വിഷയം മാത്രമുമുണ്ട്.
George Cardinal Alencherry, the Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church, to the Archbishops, Bishops, Priests, Men and Women Religious and Lay Faithful of the Syro-Malabar Church.
May the Grace of the Lord be with you all!

Dearly beloved brothers and sisters in Christ,
The *ad limina apostolorum* visit of the Syro-Malabar Bishops was held at the Vatican from October 3-14, 2019. The visit started with the Holy Qurbana offered by the bishops at the tomb of St. Peter at 8 am on 3 October. The very meaning of *ad limina apostolorum* is that the bishops who are the successors of the apostles are at the place of the apostles, Peter and Paul who were martyred in Rome. The most important part of the *ad limina* visit was the meeting with the Holy Father, Pope Francis. The meeting took place on 3 October from 10.30 am to 12.30 p.m. We were received in the Consistory Hall of the Vatican Palace. We were seated in two lines. When the Holy Father came, he saw that his chair was placed a little far from the bishops and he then asked the priest-translator to move the chair close to the bishops. He did also help in moving the chair. In the Hall, there were forty eight bishops, the translator and the Holy Father, and nobody else. It was very cordial and fruitful.
At the outset, I offered our gratitude to the Holy Father for what he is doing for the Church in common and specially to the Syro-Malabar Church. I requested the Holy Father to give the Syro-Malabar Church the permission to render pastoral service to the people of our Church *sui iuris* in the Gulf countries. At the request of the Holy Father, Archbishop Mar Moolakkatt was appointed the moderator of the meeting and he invited all the bishops who raised their hands to speak one after another. The Holy Father responded to each question individually. The following are the ideas and action plans that were formulated in the meeting with the Holy Father:

1. There is the need to do the possible so that the priests get a deeper awareness of their vocation and mission. When he was requested to give a special message for the priests, he brought to our attention the letter he wrote on 4 August 2019 for priests. The Holy Father shared four major ideas: Priests should live in a close relationship with God; they should foster a close relationship with their respective bishops; the bishops should love them and deal with them with great sensitivity and regard; the priests should develop cordial relationship with the laity and they should be discharging their duties with great commitment.

2. For the faithful in the Gulf countries, arrangements are being made to give them pastoral care according to their Church traditions and faith heritage.

3. Pope responded positively to the suggestion of the bishops to hold a special Synod for the Oriental Catholic Churches.

4. The Holy Father, in response to the request of the Bishops to have a church and a rectory in order to coordinate the activities of the ten Syro-Malabar Centres in Rome, asked Mar Stephen Chirappanath, the Procurator and Apostolic Visitor of Europe, to bring this request to his attention later.

5. The Holy Father has asked us to speed up programmes for evangelization as the Church has got now the permission to
engage in pastoral activities in the whole of India. Evangelization does not mean just an increase of the number of Catholics but the development of committed Christians who can attract people to Christ through their exemplary lives. The Holy Father added that suffering and martyrdom are integral parts of the ministry of evangelization.

6. Lastly, we asked for details of the Amazon Synod to be held soon in Rome. The Pope spoke about the misinformation that was making rounds at that time in the media. He asked us to pray for the successful completion of the Synod. All of us were edified and had very cordial feelings after the meeting with the Holy Father.

All the bishops stayed at the international Seminary of Maria Mater Ecclesiae under the Congregation of the Legionaries of Christ. The seminarians from Asia and Latin America reside at this college. From Kerala itself, 25 students are now staying there for their priestly formation.

The ad limina visit was a time of special blessings for us bishops. The programmes of the visit cemented more deeply the unity and fraternity that augmented among the bishops during the August Synod. The visit to the Oriental Congregation after the meeting with the Holy Father was very fruitful. We expressed our gratitude to Cardinal Leonardo Sandri, the Prefect of the Congregation for his decisive interventions in favour of our Church in recent times. He expressed his satisfaction at the success of the August Synod and encouraged us to go forward in peace and unity. The bishops exchanged their views visiting the other Congregations too. The visits to the various offices were concluded on 11 October.

The transportation arrangements for visits to the different Congregations and the Pontifical Councils were made by the priests of the Opera della Chiesa. Their services to the bishops who come to Rome are inestimable.
There are four major basilicas in Rome: St. Peter’s, St. John the Lateran, Mary Major and St. Paul’s Outside the Wall. In three of them, all the bishops offered Holy Masses for the intentions of the Church. A prayer vigil was held at the Mary Major Basilica on the day before the canonization of Sr. Mariam Thresia. Cardinal Becciu, the Prefect of the Congregation for the Cause of Saints was the main celebrant at the prayer vigil.

All the bishops participated in the canonization ceremony on 13 October after the ad limina visit. On that day, the Holy Father raised Sr. Mariam Thresia to the status of sainthood along with four others including Cardinal Newman. The Canonization ceremony that included Holy Mass by the Holy Father was attended by Sri. V. Muraleedharan, the Hon. Minister of State, Sri. Syam Kumar, the Manipur cabinet minister and Sri. Siby George, the Indian Ambassador to the Vatican, as members of the Indian delegation. All the bishops joined together to offer a Holy Qurbana of thanksgiving at St. Anastasia Basilica in Rome on the following day after canonization.

The concluding part of the Silver Jubilee celebration of the establishment of the community of the Syro-Malabar faithful in Rome was held on Sunday, 6 October at the Marian pilgrim Centre of Divino Amore. All the bishops participated in the Holy Mass and the meeting held on that day.

Another important event during the days of ad limina visit was the blessing of the Procura known as Domus Mar Thoma. All the bishops were concelebrants at the mass. After the Holy Mass, Cardinal Sandri inaugurated the Procura. He and I jointly blessed the Procura. Many of the faithful and distinguished guests from various Congregations and religious superiors participated in the function which concluded with a lunch. This house will be useful for the various activities of our Church in Rome. Its construction and renovation were done with the help and contributions of many
people. The leadership of Mar Stephen Chirappanath, the Apostolic Visitator in Rome as well as the Procurator of the Church deserves our gratitude. We are grateful to God Almighty for making it possible for us to have this common house in Rome. The contribution of the faithful in the procurement of this house is being acknowledged here with great gratitude.

The *ad limina* visit was an occasion of great spiritual and ecclesial experience for all the bishops. The Bishops could witness the working of the Universal Church and broaden their outlook based on that knowledge. The pilgrimage to Assisi was another event of great spiritual blessings. We offered a Holy Mass together at the church where the relics of St. Francis Assisi are kept. We remember with special gratitude the service rendered by the priests of the Franciscan Conventual Monastery. All the programmes connected to the *ad limina* visit came to an end on 14 October.

You have come to know about all these, I am sure, through the print and visual media. May the Lord bless you to discharge your great service to the Lord with more faith and deep attachment to the Church. May Holy Mother and St. Mariam Thresia, the new saint from our Church, may intercede for you and your families.

Yours cordially in Christ Jesus,

George Cardinal Alencherry
Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church

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നാലുകൊടി 1004 പെരിയപ്പെരി�...
എന്നാല്‍ പുറത്തേക്ക് സമാധാനം ലഭിക്കുന്നതിന് തെളിയിച്ച് ക്രമീകരണമാണെന്ന് കണ്ടെത്തി. 'നിരവധി അവകാശത്തെ പുറത്ത് ഇടുന്ന്' പ്രസ്ഥാനത്തെ (പ്രസ്ഥാനകൂടുതലെ) (നിരപ്പ് 16/15) അവസാനം മുമ്പായി കൃത്യമായി പുതിയതെക്കുള്ള നിരവധികാരാധനയും. തുടങ്ങിയതുകൊണ്ട് മൂന്നാമത്തെ മാസത്തെ തുളുമായി നിരവധികാരാധനകളും, അവയുടെയും മാസത്തെ പൂരംത്തെക്കുള്ള നിരവധികാരാധനകളും അരുണതയുടെയും അനന്തരാധയമായി. അനന്തരാധയം അപേക്ഷിച്ചു വരെ മൂന്നാമത്തെ മാസത്തെ തുളുമായി നിരവധികാരാധനകളും അവയുടെയും മാസത്തെ പൂരംത്തെക്കുള്ള നിരവധികാരാധനകളും തുളുമായി നിരവധികാരാധനകളും. നിരവധികാരാധനകളുടെ മാസത്തെ തുളുമായി കൃത്യമായി നിരവധികാരാധനകളും അവയുടെയും മാസത്തെ പൂരംകൂടുതലെ നിരവധികാരാധനകളും വിവരണത്തിന്റെ ലഭ്യതയായ പ്രസ്ഥാനത്തെ (പ്രസ്ഥാനകൂടുതലെ) നിരപ്പ് തുളുമായി നിരവധികാരാധനകളും അവയുടെയും മാസത്തെ പൂരംകൂടുതലെ നിരവധികാരാധനകളും തുളുമായി നിരവധികാരാധനകളും. നിരവധികാരാധനകളുടെ മാസത്തെ തുളുമായി ക്രമീകരണം ലഭിക്കുന്നതിന് തെളിയിച്ച് കണ്ടെത്തി. 'നിരവധി അവകാശത്തെ പുറത്ത് ഇടുന്ന്' പ്രസ്ഥാനത്തെ (പ്രസ്ഥാനകൂടുതലെ) (നിരപ്പ് 16/15) അവസാനം മുമ്പായി കൃത്യമായി പുതിയതെക്കുള്ള നിരവധികാരാധനയും. തുടങ്ങിയതുകൊണ്ട് മൂന്നാമത്തെ മാസത്തെ തുളുമായി നിരവധികാരാധനകളും, അവയുടെയും മാസത്തെ പൂരംത്തെക്കുള്ള നിരവധികാരാധനകളും അരുണതയുടെയും അനന്തരാധയമായി. അനന്തരാധയം അപേക്ഷിച്ചു വരെ മൂന്നാമത്തെ മാസത്തെ തുളുമായി നിരവധികാരാധനകളും, അവയുടെയും മാസത്തെ പൂരംത്തെക്കുള്ള നിരവധികാരാധനകളും തുളുമായി നിരവധികാരാധനകളും.
നിരവധി വാർഡുകള്‍ കാണാനും തുറന്ന് തിരക്കേട്ട് നടത്തുന്ന പ്രവര്‍ത്തനങ്ങള്‍ മൂലമാണ് അവര്‍ നിരവധി വാർഡുകള്‍ കാണുന്നത്. അവര്‍ അവര്‍ക്ക് പഠിപ്പിക്കുകയും പ്രവര്‍ത്തനങ്ങള്‍ നടത്തുകയും ചെയ്യുന്നു. അവര്‍ നിരവധി വാർഡുകള്‍ കാണാനും തുറന്ന് തിരക്കേട്ട് നടത്തുന്ന പ്രവര്‍ത്തനങ്ങള്‍ മൂലമാണ് അവര്‍ നിരവധി വാർഡുകള്‍ കാണുന്നത്. അവര്‍ നിരവധി വാർഡുകള്‍ കാണാനും തുറന്ന് തിരക്കേട്ട് നടത്തുന്ന പ്രവര്‍ത്തനങ്ങള്‍ മൂലമാണ് അവര്‍ നിരവധി വാർഡുകള്‍ കാണുന്നത്.

ചെയ്യാനുള്ള പ്രവര്‍ത്തനങ്ങളും പഠിപ്പിക്കുന്ന പ്രവര്‍ത്തനങ്ങളും എല്ലാവരും മൂലമാണ് അവര്‍ നിരവധി വാർഡുകള്‍ കാണുന്നത്. അവര്‍ നിരവധി വാർഡുകള്‍ കാണാനും തുറന്ന് തിരക്കേട്ട് നടത്തുന്ന പ്രവര്‍ത്തനങ്ങള്‍ മൂലമാണ് അവര്‍ നിരവധി വാർഡുകള്‍ കാണുന്നത്.
GEORGE CARDINAL ALENCHERRY, THE MAJOR ARCHBISHOP
OF THE SYRO-MALABAR CHURCH, TO THE ARCHBISHOPS, BISHOPS,
PRIESTS, CONSECRATED MEN AND WOMEN AND LAY FAITHFUL
OF THE SYRO-MALABAR CHURCH.

MAY THE GRACE OF THE LORD BE WITH YOU ALL!
FROM THE FEAST OF DENHA OF JESUS ON 6TH JANUARY TO 12TH JANUARY
2019, WE CELEBRATE THE MISSION WEEK OF THE SYRO-MALABAR CHURCH.
ON THIS OCCASION I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU SOME THOUGHTS ABOUT
THE MISSION WEEK. JESUS BEGAN HIS MISSION WORK REVEALING HIMSELF
ON THE FEAST OF DENHA. THE GOSPELS TESTIFY THAT HE SHOWED SPECIAL
LOVE AND MERCY TO THE POOR AND THE MARGINALIZED. THE CHURCH, WHICH
IS THE MYSTICAL BODY OF JESUS WHO REVEALED HIMSELF, PARTICIPATES
INCESSANTLY IN THIS MISSIONARY DUTY. THAT IS WHY THE AD GENTES, THE
DECREE OF VATICAN II TEACHES US THAT “THE CHURCH BY ITS VERY NATURE
IS MISSIONARY” (AG 2). I EXHORT ALL THE SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE
CHURCH TO ACQUIRE MISSION AWARENESS AND ZEAL AND TO VENTURE
FERVENTLY INTO GOSPEL PROCLAMATION AND MISSION ACTIVITIES ACCORDING
TO THEIR ABILITY, LIFE-STATUS AND CIRCUMSTANCES.
TODAY, THE FACE OF JESUS BECOMES LUMINOUS IN THE WORLD THROUGH
EACH ONE OF US. “GO INTO ALL THE WORLD AND PREACH THE GOOD NEWS
TO ALL CREATION” (MK 16:15). WE HAVE TO FULFILL THE ABOVE COMMAND
OF JESUS EVERYWHERE. IT IS THE NEED OF THE TIMES TO BECOME STRONGER
IN OUR SPIRITUALITY AS THE POWER OF EVIL KEEPS ATTACKING THE CHURCH

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stealthily. Parents should never forget their spiritual duties towards their families. We shall work together to keep the light of faith handed over to us by our forefathers, alive and blazing. The zeal of faith and the courage of St. Thomas fill us with the strength to overcome crises and obstacles in our journey to heaven.

Through the Mission Week celebrations let us experience the transforming power of the Gospel and become filled with the zeal to reach out to those places where the Gospel of our Lord has not yet reached. Imitating the example of the first Christians, let us not forget our duty to foster reconciliation, fraternity and sharing everywhere and among all peoples. The programs for sharing the message of salvation achieved through Jesus must be planned and worked out at the eparchial and parish levels with the cooperation of all pious associations and this will imbue the celebrations of the Mission Week with deeper meaning and significance. Let us remember that our faith becomes fruitful in our missionary zeal and generosity.

Our Church has given innumerable missionaries to serve in the mission stations both in India and abroad. Let us be proud that the eparchies of Shamshabad and Hosur, which were established as a result of the jurisdiction given to us by the Holy Father for pastoral work and Gospel proclamation all over India, are fulfilling the same right in collaboration with various mission eparchies of our Church. Let us remember them in a special way when we celebrate the Mission Week.

The major reason behind the multifarious activities of evangelization taking place in the Indian Church is our missionary zeal. It is the need of the hour to remember all missionaries and to encourage vocations motivated by the zeal of faith and courage. I hope you are aware of an office named ‘Syro-Malabar Mission’ at Mount St. Thomas, Kakkanad that works to coordinate and help the mission activities of our Church. This office helps 230 seminarians and 34 women candidates to religious life who are aspiring to serve in
18 mission eparchies of our Church that has 51 lakhs of faithful living all over the world. Besides this, other projects are also being undertaken for evangelization and related needs in the mission regions. Your prayers and generosity help the working of this office through creative interventions. This office offers commendable service in the growth of the Church and our mission activities. The amount that is collected through the celebration of the Mission Week is used exclusively for mission activities.

Let us keep in our hearts the words of our Father St. Thomas: “Let us also go that we may die with him” (Jn 11:16). May we be strengthened in that light of faith by knowing and loving the mission, by praying for the missionaries, by visiting the mission regions and by contributing what we can financially to support this cause.

Lovingly in Jesus,

George Cardinal Alencherry
Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church

Given from the Office of the Major Archbishop at Mount St. Thomas on 5th November 2018.
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Major Archiepiscopal Letter of Canonical Provision
Vicar of the Major Archbishop
for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly

GEORGE CARDINAL ALENCHERRY, THE MAJOR ARCHBISHOP
OF THE SYRO-MALABAR CHURCH sends his paternal Blessings
to YOUR EXCELLENCY MAR ANTONY KARIYIL CMI
at present Bishop of the Eparchy of Mandya.

Whereas, considering my suggestion and deliberating on the nature
of the dual offices of the Major Archbishop, namely, the head of
the entire Syro-Malabar Church and Archbishop of the Archeparchy
of Ernakulam-Angamaly, the Synod of Bishops of the Syro-Malabar
Church in the first Session of the XXVII Synod (7-18 January 2019)
has discussed and decided in favour of appointing a Vicar of the
Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly for
the ordinary administration of the said Archeparchy;

Whereas, you as a person endowed with exemplary episcopal
qualities with adequate intellectual formation, administrative
experience and spiritual vision, having demonstrated especially
in your Episcopal ministry in Mandya and is found suitable for the
above mentioned office of Vicar of the Archeparchy;

Whereas, the Synod of Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Churchin the
Third Sitting of the XXVII Synod Session II on Thursday, 22 August
2019, has elected you to the office of the Vicar ad omnia (that is, for
all matters of ordinary administration) of the Major Archbishop for
the Archeparchy of Ernakulam–Angamaly, transferring you from the
Office of Bishop of the Eparchy of Mandya;
Whereas the Apostolic See, by its letter Prot. No. 125/2011 dated 29 August 2019 has approved the said election and transfer; and
Whereas Holy Father Pope Francis has conferred upon you the title of Archbishop elevating to the same rank pro hac vice (that is, for this occasion) the titular see of Macriana Maggiore with the above mentioned letter of the Congregation for the Oriental Churches;

In virtue of the authority vested in me as the Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church and Archbishop of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly to provide the people of God entrusted to my care with pastors and efficient systems of governance, and guided by the consideration of the good of the faithful of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam–Angamaly and of the entire Syro-Malabar Church, I, George Cardinal Alencherry, the Major Archbishop, hereby transfer you from the Eparchy of Mandya and appoint you Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly.

As the Vicar ad ominia of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly endowed with ordinary vicarious power (c. 245), you shall exercise your duties as per norms of law (Common Law CCEO, the Particular Laws of the Syro-Malabar Church, and the Guidelines for the Vicar approved by the Synod). In the governance of the Archeparchy, you shall be assisted by the Archeparchial Curia (c. 243) and the canonical bodies, namely, College of Consultants (c.271), the Presbyteral Council (c. 264), the Finance Council (c. 263); the Pastoral Council (c. 272) and any other body legitimately constituted by the competent authorities. After taking charge of your office as Vicar, as decided by the Synod, you may dissolve, suspend, revive or reconstitute them as per norms of law, in consultation with the Major Archbishop.

This decree comes into effect on Friday, 30th August 2019. In the light of the understanding reached in the Synod, you are to take canonical possession of your office in accordance with the norms of law on Friday, 30th August 2019.
Commending you to Our Lord, the Master Shepherd and praying that through the intercession of Mary, Mater amabilis and St. Thomas, our Apostle you may in close communion with me, the Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church and Archbishop of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly, the entire clergy, the consecrated persons and other faithful of the said Archeparchy, fulfill the duties of your office as “an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity” (1 Tim. 4:12), I send you, my hearty congratulations and prayerful good wishes.

All contrary dispositions notwithstanding.

Given at Kakkanad from the Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Curia at Mount St. Thomas on Friday, the 30th day of the month of August of the year 2019 under my seal and signature.

George Cardinal Alencherry
Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church
& Archbishop of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly

Fr. Vincent Cheruvathoor
Chancellor, Major Archiepiscopal Chancellor
GEORGE CARDINAL ALENCHERRY,
THE MAJOR ARCHBISHOP OF THE SYRO-MALABAR CHURCH,
sends his Paternal Blessings to you,
REV. FR. VINCENT NELLAIPARAMBIL,

priest belonging to the Eparchy of Bijnor, currently priest-in-charge
of Mary Matha Mission Station at Chiniyalisaur, Uttarakhand, who,
having obtained the prior assent of the Holy Father, has been
elected by the Synod of Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church in the
Second Session of the XXVII Synod, held from 19 to 30 August 2019,
Bishop of Bijnor, which Office fell vacant upon the acceptance of
resignation of His Excellency Mar John Vadakel CMI, by Holy Father
Pope Francis, upon completing 75 years of age. You as a person of
exemplary priestly qualities with adequate intellectual formation,
spiritual depth, pastoral and administrative experience have been
chosen to succeed him as the Bishop of Bijnor.

Therefore, in virtue of CCEO c. 86 §1, 1o and by the authority
vested in me as the Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Major
Archiepiscopal Church to provide the people of God entrusted to
my care with pastors and efficient system of governance, and guided
by the consideration of the good of the faithful of the Eparchy of
Bijnor and of the entire Syro-Malabar Church, I, George Cardinal
Alencherry, the Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church,
hereby appoint you BISHOP OF THE EPARCHY OF BIJNOR. You are
to be ordained Bishop in accordance with CCEO c. 187 §2 and c. 188 and take canonical possession of your Office in accordance with CCEO c. 189.

Commending you to Our Lord, the Master Shepherd, through the intercession of Mary our Mother, St Thomas, our Apostle, St. Joseph, the Patron of the Eparchy of Bijnor, you may, in close communion with the entire clergy and the faithful of the Eparchy of Bijnor, fulfil the duties of your Office as “an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity” (1Tim 4:12).

All contrary dispositions notwithstanding.

Given from the Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Curia at Mount St. Thomas, Kakkanad on the 30th day of the Month of August of the year 2019 under my seal and signature.

George Cardinal Alencherry
Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church

Fr. Vincent Cheruvathoor
Major Archiepiscopal Chancellor
GEORGE CARDINAL ALENCHERRY, THE MAJOR ARCHBISHOP OF THE SYRO-MALABAR CHURCH SENDS HIS PATERNAL BLESSINGS TO YOUR EXCELLENCY MAR SEBASTIAN ADAYANTHRATH.

As the Second Session of the XXVII Synod of the Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church held from 19 to 30 August 2019 elected Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI to the Office of the Vicar *ad ominia* of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly, transferring him from the Office of Bishop of the Eparchy of Mandya, the See of the Eparchy of Mandya became vacant. This act of the Synod necessitated finding a suitable successor to Bishop Antony Kariyil CMI who shepherded the Eparchy for nearly four years, with paternal care and foresight.

In the background of the instruction of the Holy Father Pope Francis, (N. 2487/19), the XXVII Holy Synod of the Syro-Malabar Church, in the Second Session gathered at the Major Archiepiscopal Curia, Mount St. Thomas, Kakkanad, has found in Your Excellency the right person for the Office of the Bishop of Mandya and elected you to this Office. The Holy Father Pope Francis approved your election as Bishop of Mandya through the communication dated 29 August 2019 with N. 3035/19.

Therefore, in virtue of CCEO c. 86 §1, 1º and by the authority vested in me as the Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church to provide the people of God entrusted to my care with pastors and
efficient systems of governance, and guided by the consideration of the good of the faithful of the Eparchy of Mandy and of the entire Syro-Malabar Church, I, George Cardinal Alencherry, hereby appoint you BISHOP OF THE EPARCHY OF MANDYA. You are to take canonical possession of your Office in accordance c. 223 of Code of Canons for the Oriental Churches.

Commending you to Our Lord, the Master Shepherd and praying that you may, through the intercession of Mary our Mother and St. Thomas our Apostle, in close communion and collegiality with the Major Archbishop and the Synod of Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church and the entire clergy and the faithful of the Eparchy of Mandy, fulfil the duties of your Office as “an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity” (1Tim 4:12), I extend to you, my hearty congratulations and prayerful good wishes.

All contrary dispositions notwithstanding.

Given from the Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Curia at Mount St. Thomas, Kakkanad, on the 30th day of the month of August of the year 2019 under my seal and signature.


George Cardinal Alencherry
Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church

Fr. Vincent Cheruvathoor
Major Archiepiscopal Chancellor
Prot. No. 1314/2019

DECREE
Major Archiepiscopal Letter of Canonical Provision
Auxiliary Bishop of Faridabad

GEORGE CARDINAL ALENCERRY
THE MAJOR ARCHBISHOP OF THE SYRO-MALABAR CHURCH
Sends His Paternal Blessings to Your Excellency
MAR JOSE PUTHENVEETTIL.

The Second Session of the XXVII Synod of the Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church held from 19 to 30 August 2019 at the Major Archiepiscopal Curia, Mount St. Thomas, Kakkanad, has found in you the right person for the Office of the Auxiliary Bishop of Faridabad and elected you to this Office, at the request of His Excellency Archbishop Mar Kuriakose Bharanikulangara, the Bishop of Faridabad and in the context of the instruction of the Holy Father Pope Francis (N. 2487/19). The Holy Father Pope Francis approved your election to the Office of the Auxiliary bishop of the Eparchy of Faridabad through the communication dated 29 August 2019 with N. 3035/19. Therefore, in virtue of CCEO c. 86 §1, 1° and by the authority vested in me as the Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church to provide the people of God entrusted to my care with pastors and efficient systems of governance, and guided by the consideration of the good of the faithful of the Eparchy of Faridabad and of the entire Syro-Malabar Church, I, George Cardinal Alencherry, hereby appoint you AUXILIARY BISHOP OF THE EPARCHY OF FARIDABAD. You are to take charge of your Office in accordance with the direc-
tion of Archbishop Mar Kuriakose Bharanikulangara, Bishop of the
Eparchy of Faridabad.
Commending you to Our Lord, the Master Shepherd and praying
that you may, through the intercession of Mary our Mother and St.
Thomas our Apostle, in close communion and collegiality with Arch-
bishop Mar Kuriakose Bharanikulangara and the Synod of Bishops
of the Syro-Malabar Church and the entire clergy and the faithful
of the Eparchy of Faridabad, fulfil the duties of your Office as “an
example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity” (1Tim.
4:12).

All contrary dispositions notwithstanding.

Given from the Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Curia at Mount
St. Thomas, Kakkanad, on the 30th day of the Month of August of
the year 2019 under my seal and signature.

George Cardinal Alencherry
Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church

Fr. Vincent Cheruvathoor
Major Archiepiscopal Chancellor
Sisters of St. Martha’s Congregation, founded by the late Bishop of Palai, Mar Sebastian Vayalil and late Mr. Joseph Kalapurayil from Moolamattam of the Eparchy of Palai in 1958 as a Pious Union at Moolamattam for the spiritual training of women, has entered into the 61st year of its existence. This pious union, having as its specific charism, “To do humble service to the people of God especially the poor women and children”, was erected as a Congregation of Eparchial Right on 2 February 1998 under the guidance and with the blessings of Mar Joseph Pallikaparambil, the then Bishop of Palai and with the approval of the Congregation for the Oriental Churches, Rome.

Living their specific charism, Sisters of St. Martha’s Congregation, engaging themselves in various fields of apostolate, has grown considerably within a span of 61 years, inspired by the founders and encouraged by the Bishops of the Eparchy of Palai extending their presence to 13 Syro-Malabar eparchies/archeparchies in India and to some Latin dioceses in Germany and Italy. At present the Congregation has 48 canonically erected convents with 258 professed members, of which 249 are perpetually professed and 09, temporarily professed. There are also a good number of candidates under formation. Committed to their charism, the members of this Congregation today bear witness to the self-sacrificing love of Christ through the running of Homes for the Aged, Hospitals, Balika Bha-
vans, institutions for the physically handicapped and mentally challenged and other similar institutions.

Considering the growth of the Congregation over the years and the need for better coordination and more effective organization of activities in different eparchies in and outside India, the extraordinary General Synaxis of the Congregation held on 12 April 2019 decided to request the competent authority to raise the Congregation to Major Archiepiscopal Status. Accordingly Mother Snow Mary, the Superior General of the Sisters of St. Martha’s Congregation, presented an application to the Major Archbishop on 23 May 2019, requesting the Major Archiepiscopal Status to the Sisters of St. Martha’s Congregation.

In this context, after having received the favourable opinion of the Bishop of Palai, the local Hierarch of the place where the principal house of the Congregation is located, obtained the nihil obstat of the Hierarchs of the eparchies where the Congregation has canonically erected houses, consulted the Chairman of the Commission for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life and with the consent of the Permanent Synod held on 15 July 2019, the undersigned,

GEORGE CARDINAL ALENCHERRY,
THE MAJOR ARCHBISHOP
OF THE SYRO-MALABAR CHURCH,
hereby grants Major Archiepiscopal Status to
SISTERS OF ST. MARTHA’S CONGREGATION (SMC)
in accordance with CCEO c. 506 §3, with all the rights, duties and privileges attached to such status in Common and Particular Law. The Revised Articles of the Statutes of Sisters of St. Martha’s Congregation, which is appended to this Decree, is also approved ad experimentum for a period of three years. The Congregation is to
revise the existing Statutes in accordance with CCEO c. 414 §2 in three year time from the date of issue of this Decree.
All contrary dispositions notwithstanding.
Given from the Major Archiepiscopal Curia of the Syro-Malabar Church at Mount St. Thomas, Kakkanad, on the Twentieth Day of the Month of November of the year Two Thousand and Nineteen

George Cardinal Alencherry
Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church

Fr. Vincent Cheruvathoor
Major Archiepiscopal Chancellor
DECREE

Conferring the title of Major Archepiscopal Pilgrim Centre on Martha Mariam Archdeacon Forane Church, Kuravilangad

The request from *Marth Mariam* Archdeacon Forane Church, Kuravilangad for a special title submitted with the signature of all the members present for the *pothuyogam* held on 25 June 2017 and with recommendation of Bishop Joseph Kallarangatt, the Bishop of the Eparchy of Palai was discussed in the XXVI Synod, Session 1, held from 8 to 13 January. The Synod approved the norms for conferring special titles on Churches and Pilgrim Centres, namely, 1. The Church/Pilgrim centre should be an Eparchial Shrine, having great historical importance, with large number of pilgrims and having present relevance. 2. The request should be based on a decision of the *Pothuyogam* and there should be the recommendation of the Local Bishop. 3. Conferring of the title entails submitting of yearly report and 5% of the income from the offerings to the Major Archepiscopal Curia. The Synod decided to institute the title ‘Major Archepiscopal Pilgrim Centre’ to certain parish churches and pilgrim centres having great historical importance according to the norms and conditions to confer the title. The Synod found that *Marth Mariam* Archdeacon Forane Church fulfilled the requirements of the norms and proposed to confer the Title of Major Archiepiscopal Pilgrim Centre after the *Pothuyogam* of the Church accepts the norms and resubmit their application accordingly.
The Pothuyogam of Marth Mariam Archdeacon Forane Church, Kuravilangad held on 12 January 2018 having resubmitted the petition with the signatures of 862 participants accepting to abide by the norms indicated above and with the recommendation of the Eparchial Bishop Mar Joseph Kallarangatt, I, George Cardinal Alencherry, the Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church hereby confer the title of Major Archiepiscopal Pilgrim Centre on Martha Mariam Archdeacon Forane Church, Kuravilangad with effect from 21 January 2018, with all the rights and duties envisaged in the norms for such a Pilgrim Centre.

Given this from the Major Archiepiscopal Curia at Mount St. Thomas, Kakkanad on 14 January 2018.

George Cardinal Alencherry
Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church

Fr. Antony Kollannur
Major Archiepiscopal Chancellor
1. The Syro Malabar Church, which had its origin from the apostolate of St. Thomas in India, was raised as a Major Archiepiscopal Church on 16 December 1992 having its See with the Title of “Ernakulam-Angamaly” and having the residence at the principal city Ernakulam.

2. The Major Archbishop, besides being the ‘father and head’ of the whole Syro Malabar Church, is also the Metropolitan Archbishop of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly (CCEO cc. 55-56, 57 §3, 151-153). Common law demands that for the administration based on these two offices there should be distinct curia, namely, Major Archiepiscopal Curia for the affairs of the whole Church (CCEO c. 114) and Curia for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly (CCEO c. 243).

3. Since the Major Archbishop has to care for the pastoral affairs of the whole Syro Malabar Church, it was not easy for him to concentrate on the ministry in the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly. Hence, in the XV Synod (2007) January and August sessions, there was a suggestion to have an ‘Administrative Archbishop’ for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly, namely, the Proto Syncllus Auxiliary Bishop, having the title of Archbishop be given the charge of the ordinary administration of the Archeparchy. Later sessions of the Synods also had discussions in this regard.

4. In the last 25 years of its existence, the Syro Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Church has grown global with several eparchies and archeparchies. Because of the global mission, it has be-
come very difficult for the Major Archbishop to dedicate more
time for the ordinary administration of the Archeparchy of Er-
nakulam-Angamaly, the biggest eparchy of this Church. Given
the said situation, the Synod of Bishops of the Syro Malabar
Church in its XXVII Synod session 1, held during 7-18 January
2019, discussed the nature of work of the Major Archbishop in
both offices and deliberated on the possibilities of making his
ministry more effective. The Synod reached consensus that a
Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernaku-
lam-Angamaly with episcopal status be appointed and deci-
sion to that effect was taken. The Vicar shall ex officio be the
Proto-Syncellus of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly.

5. The said ‘Vicar of the Major Archbishop’ shall be elected by
the Synod of Bishops and be appointed by the Major Archbish-
op. If the elected one is not a bishop, ordinary procedure for
the election of bishops shall be followed.

6. The appointment of the Vicar is without prejudice to the pre-
rogatives, rights and obligations of the Major Archbishop in
relation to the Archeparchy. He has the right and duty to in-
tervene when circumstances warrant it or when the Vicar re-
quests for it.

7. He shall be commemorated in Liturgy\(^1\) (Major Archbishop and
Head of our Archeparchy). Ordinarily, the Major Archbishop
shall preside over the solemnities like the Nativity of Our Lord,
Blessing of the Holy Myron, Holy Week Liturgy, in the Cathe-
dral. He may make pastoral visits to parishes in the Archepar-
chy after having informed the Vicar.

8. After the name of the Major Archbishop, the name of the Vicar
of the Major Archbishop shall also be commemorated in the
Liturgy within the territory of his Archeparchy \(^2\).

9. The Vicar ad omnia of the Major Archbishop endowed with
ordinary vicarious power (CCEO c. 245) administers the
Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly in all ordinary affaires in
accordance with the norms of law. However, he shall not fail
to consult the Major Archbishop on all important matters and
brief the Major Archbishop regularly about the administration. The Vicar is competent to make appointments, constitute different councils of administration and shall have the duty of supervision.

10. As the Vicar of the Major Archbishop for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly, he represents the Archeparchy in juridical matters before civil authorities. He is responsible for the running of the Archeparchy as per norms of law. He is authorized to sign documents personally or through his representative on behalf of the Archbishop of Ernakulam-Angamaly on temporal affairs and is fully responsible for the temporal administration of the Archeparchy as per norms of law. The Major Archbishop acts as appellate authority in this regard.

11. When the See of the Major Archbishop becomes vacant, the Administrator takes charge as per norms of law (CCEO c. 127; Particular Law no. 7). But the Vicar continues to function in his office for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam-Angamaly (CCEO cc. 224, 132 §2). When the new Major Archbishop takes charge, (cfr. c. 991 §1) the Vicar is confirmed to continue in office, unless the Synod makes other provisions.

(This These Guidelines on the Office of Vicar of the Major Archbish- op for the Archeparchy of Ernakulam- Angamaly were first dis- cussed in the Synod of Bishops held in January 2019 and sent to Rome for their observations. Incorporating the suggestions from the Congregation for the Oriental Churches, Rome, the Guidelines were finally approved with necessary modifications by the Synod of Bishops in the Second Session of the XXVII Synod held from 19 to 30 August 2019.)

1. സാവധാനം അഭയം പിന്തുണ കൂടുതലായാണ് അടുത്ത സന്താനത്തിനായി അവകാശ സ്ഥായിയേറിയ ഉദയം പ്രകാശിക്കുന്നു എന്ന് ......................... പുതിയ ചുമതലയെത്തുന്ന ഇതിനും

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**ACTIVITY OF THE TRIBUNAL IN THIRD & SUBSEQUENT INSTANCES**

**CAUSES OF MATRIMONIAL NULLITY HANDLED AFTER A PROCESS IN SECOND INSTANCE**

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| II|                                           |   |

|   | Decrees of ratification (total number):   | Nil |
| III|                                           |   |

| IV | Sentences given (after an ordinary examination): |   |
|    | a) In favour of nullity (“constat de nullitate”, at least on one ground) | 01 |
|    | b) In favour of the bond (“non constat de nullitate”: on every ground alleged) | 01 |

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|    | a) Through renunciation | Nil |
|    | b) Through abatement (*Peremptio*) | Nil |

| VII| Cases pending at the end of the year | 04 |
Activities of the Lower Tribunals in the Year 2018

There are sixteen eparchies in four metropolitan provinces and one archeparchy within the proper territory of the Syro Malabar Church. All the four metropolitan provinces have metropolitan tribunals and they function as the tribunals of appeal in the second instance as per c. 1064§1. The metropolitan tribunal of Kottayam judges cases only of the Archeparchy of the metropolitan of Kottayam. The eparchies of Belthangady, Thuckaly and Bhadravathi have single judge tribunals. The cases of the eparchy of Ramanathapuram are handled by the eparchial tribunal of Palakkad. The activities of the eparchial and metropolitan tribunals during the year 2018 are briefly given in the following tables:
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4. Ernakulam-Ang
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6. Irinjalakkuda
7. Kanjirappally
8. Kothamangalam

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Tribunal records show that there has been a definite hike in the number of cases in most of the tribunals. This hike may be due to the increased general awareness among the people of the new provisions in the motu proprio which make the nullity procedure of marriage cases more simple, easy and quick.
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Fr. Thomas Adoppillil
President, Major Archiepiscopal Tribunal
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of the Major Archiepiscopal Curia of the Syro-Malabar Church
Mount St. Thomas, Kakkanad for the year ended 31st March, 2019

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**IV. BANK & CASH BALANCES**

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**GRAND TOTAL**

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